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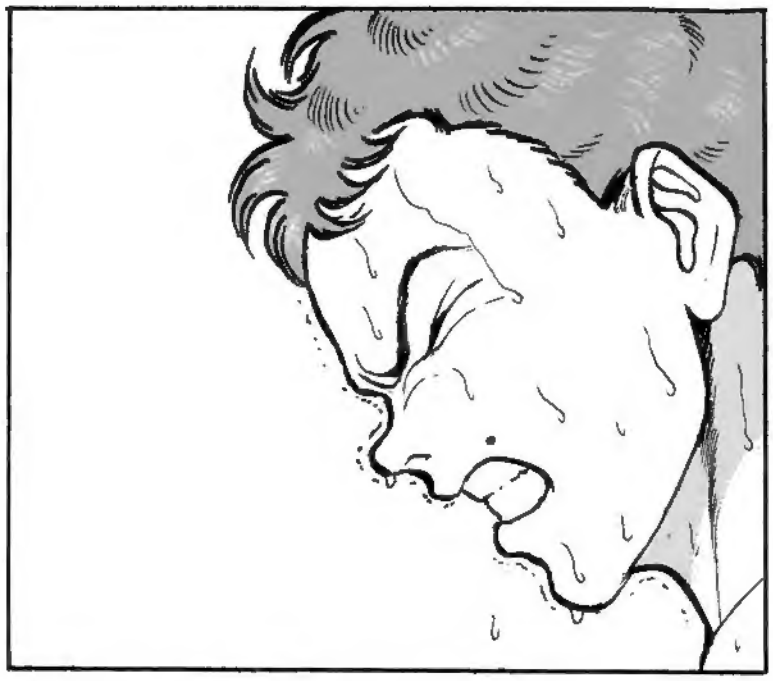
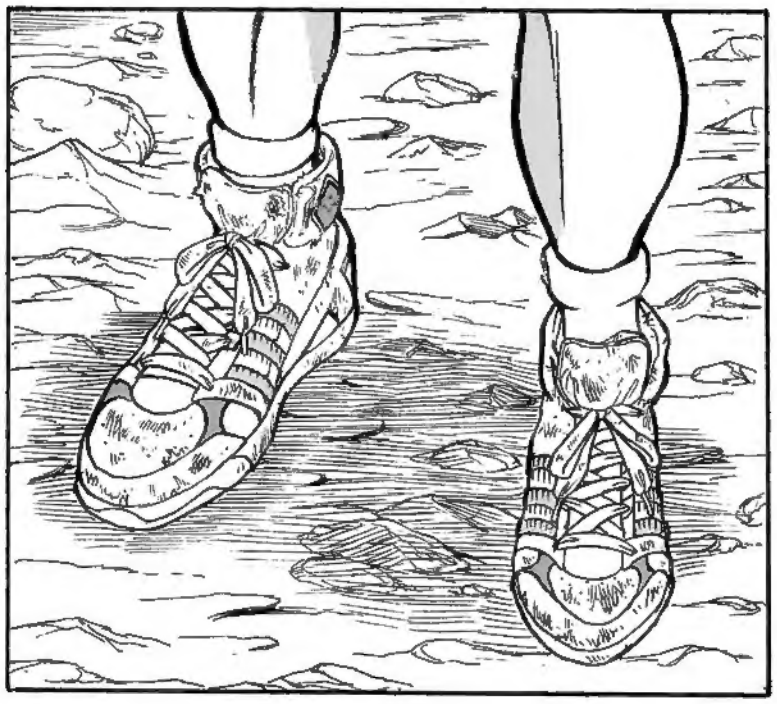
#98 Cross That Line!!





SHING

WOOOOO
ジョオオオオオオオオ
FSHH...
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FSHH...
ザ‥

BACK THEN...

...BUT BY THE STANDARDS OF A MARTIAL ARTIST, THEY'RE STILL INADEQUATE.

YEAH, YOU'VE GOT MUSCLES CRAFTED FROM THE TOUGHEST TRAINING...

CAN YOU DO IT?

IF YOU WANT TO REACH A STATE OF ABSOLUTE MENTAL IMPREGNABILITY, THEN YOU MUST SURPASS YOUR ATHLETIC LIMITS.

!

I'M ABOUT TO HIT YOU WITH MY LEFT FIST AS HARD AS I CAN.

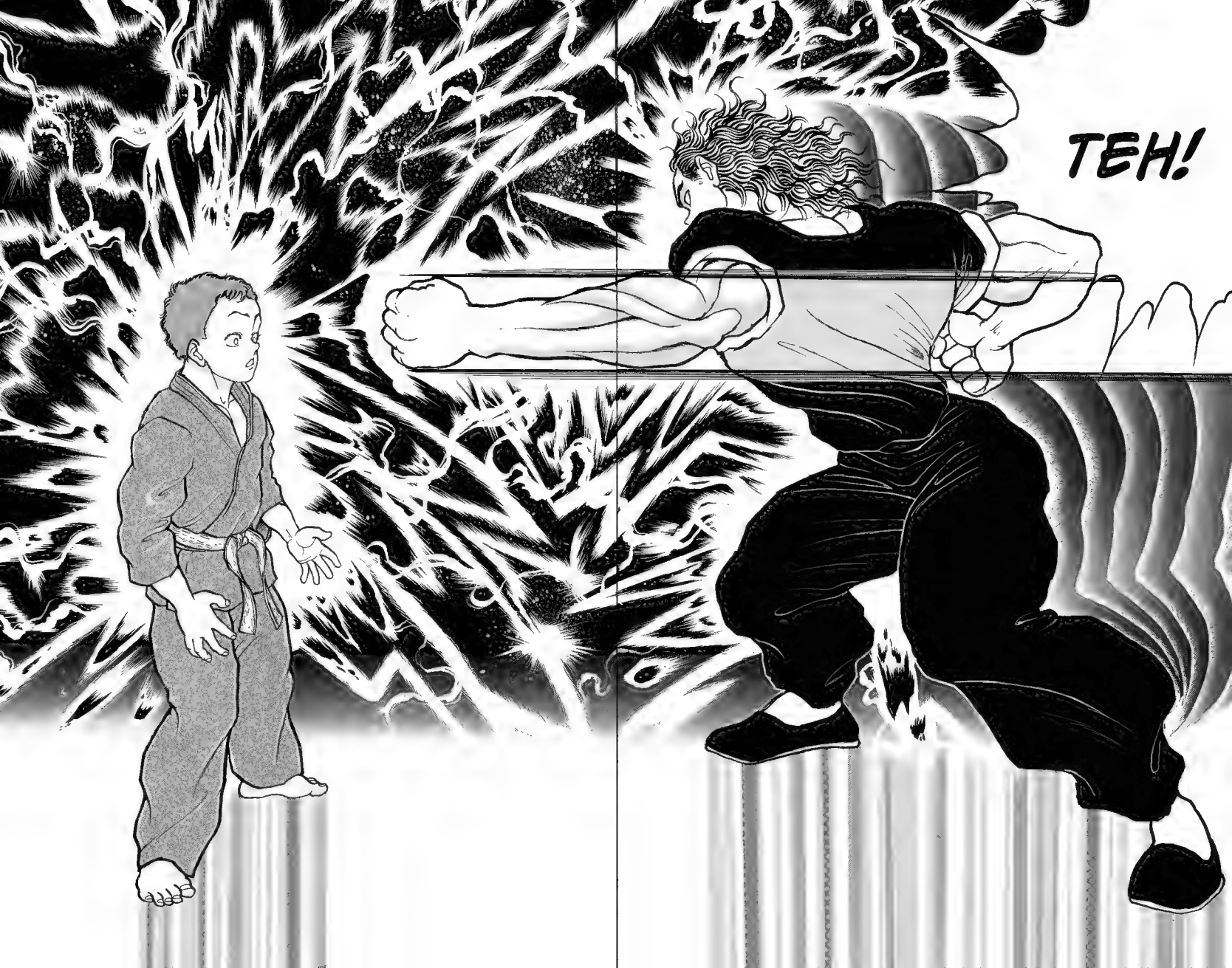
I'LL DIE...

N-NO WAY...

IF YOU CAN DEFEND AGAINST IT, FINE. OTHERWISE...

THERE'LL BE NO PAIN.

THEN DEATH IS ALL YOU'LL FEEL.


TEH!

WHOOM

WHAT DID YOU SEE?

ALL SIX YEARS OF YOUR LIFE?

YOU SAW IT, RIGHT?

...

A MOMENTARY MIRACLE BORN FROM THE ABNORMALITY KNOWN AS DEATH...

...THEIR ENTIRE LIFE FLASHES INSTANTLY BEFORE THEIR EYES.

THEY SAY THAT WHEN PEOPLE COME FACE TO FACE WITH DEATH...

AND SIMPLE "ATHLETIC ABILITY" HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH IT.

THAT'S SIX **FULL YEARS** IN A SINGLE INSTANT!

JUST NOW, MY FIST COMING AT YOU CAUSED YOU TO EXPERIENCE SIX YEARS IN LESS THAN A SECOND.

ONCE YOU LEARN TO UTILIZE IT, YOU'LL SIMPLY YAWN AT HOW SLOW A BOXER'S LEFT JAB OR A MUAY THAI MASTER'S KICKS ARE.

HOWEVER, YOU CAN'T BE A **TRUE GRAPPLER** UNTIL YOU GET USED TO THIS ABNORMAL FORM OF CONCENTRATION.

IT'S A LEVEL OF CONCENTRATION THAT ONLY OCCURS AT THE BRINK OF DEATH!!!

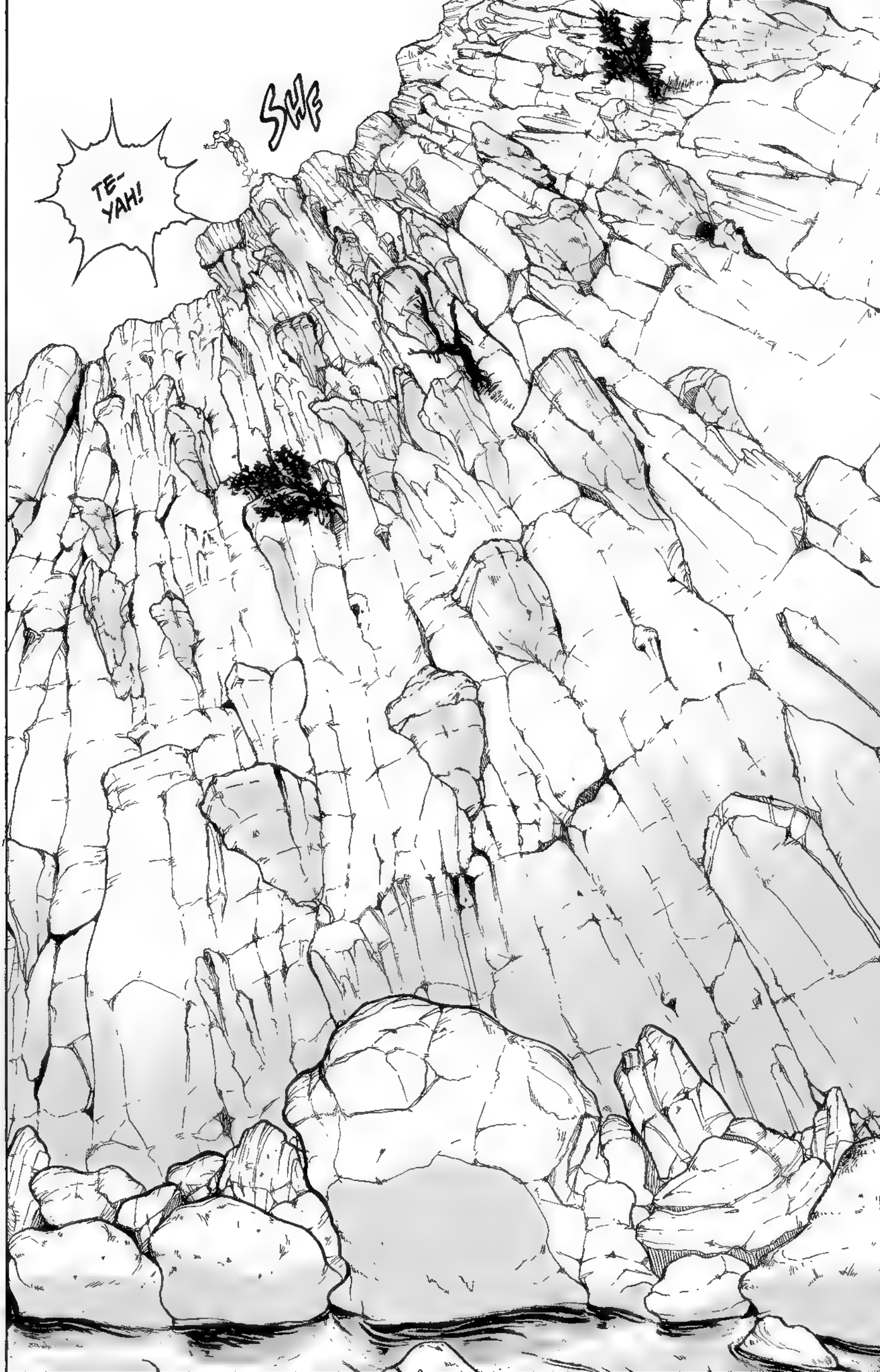
MAKE IT YOURS!

GULP...

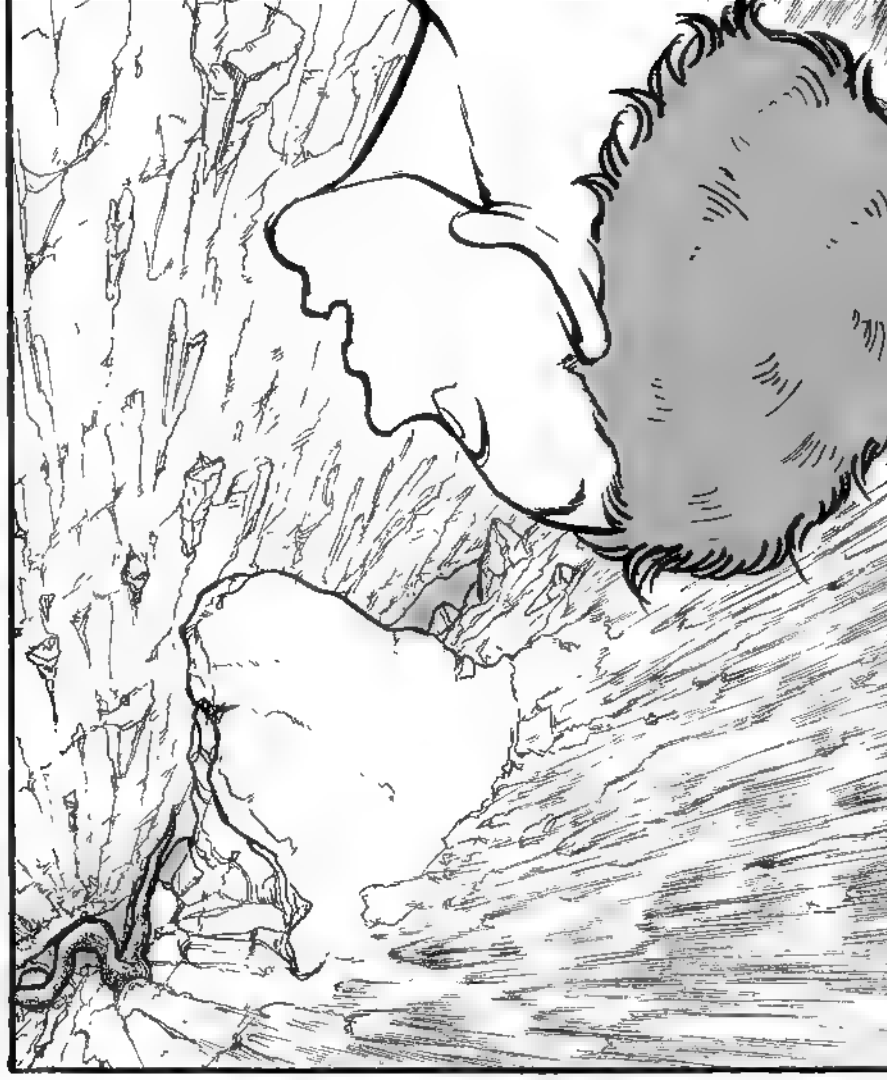
BA-BUMP

I CAN'T DO IT...
I'LL DIE...
I'LL ACTUALLY DIE...!
SHF
BAM
SKIIID...
I MEAN, I WOULD REALLY TRULY DIE!
BAKI, HELP MEEEEE!

...!
WHATEVER! GODDAMN IT!
ORAA-AAAH!
SHOOO
SHKF
!


TE-
YAH!
SWF

I ACTUALLY DID IT.



BAM!!

IT'S LIKE EVERYTHING'S IN SLOW MOTION!!!

I CAN SEE IT...!

I CAN SEE IT!

BAM

I CAN SEE IT!

BAM

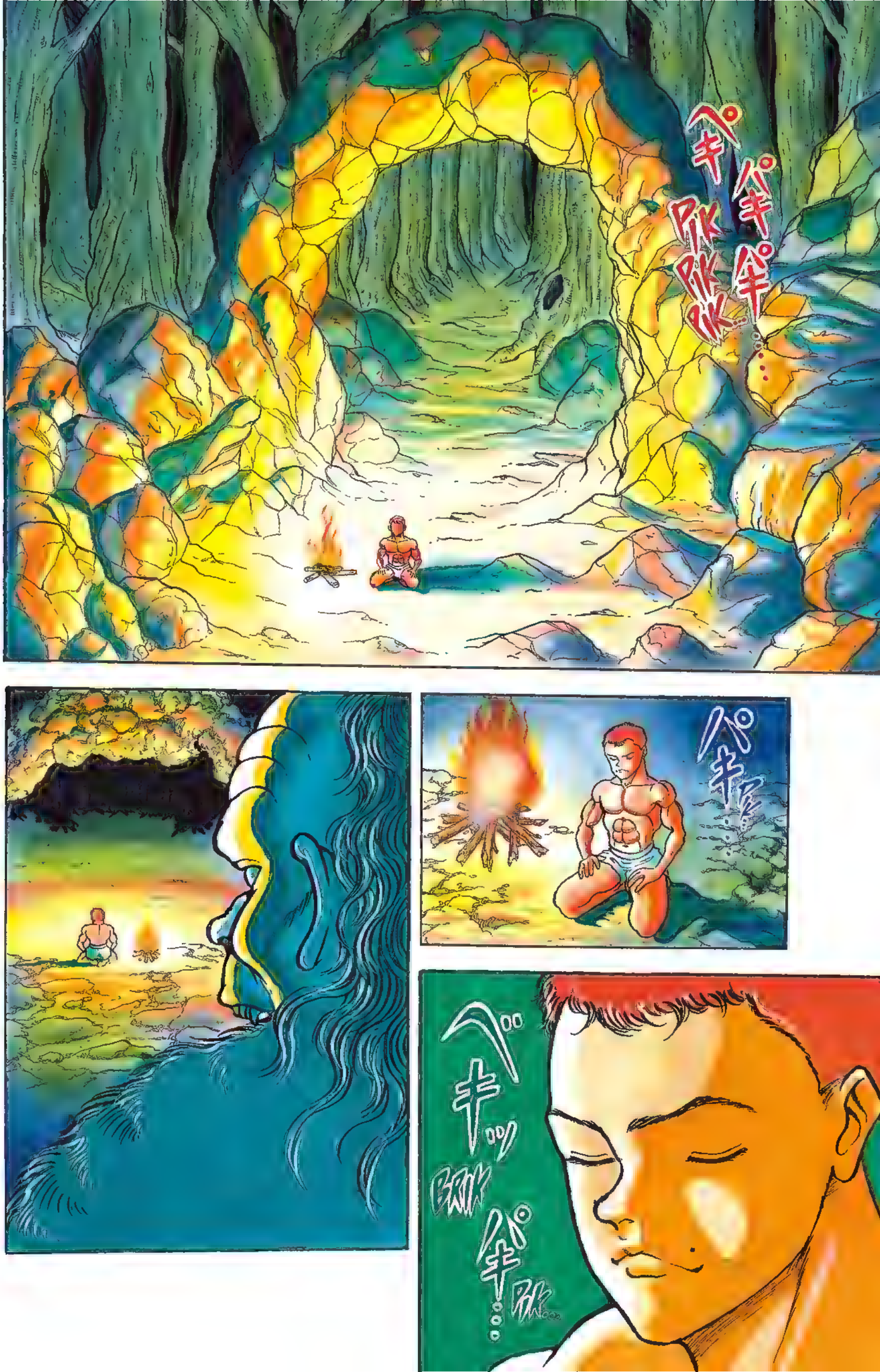
I CAN SEE IT!

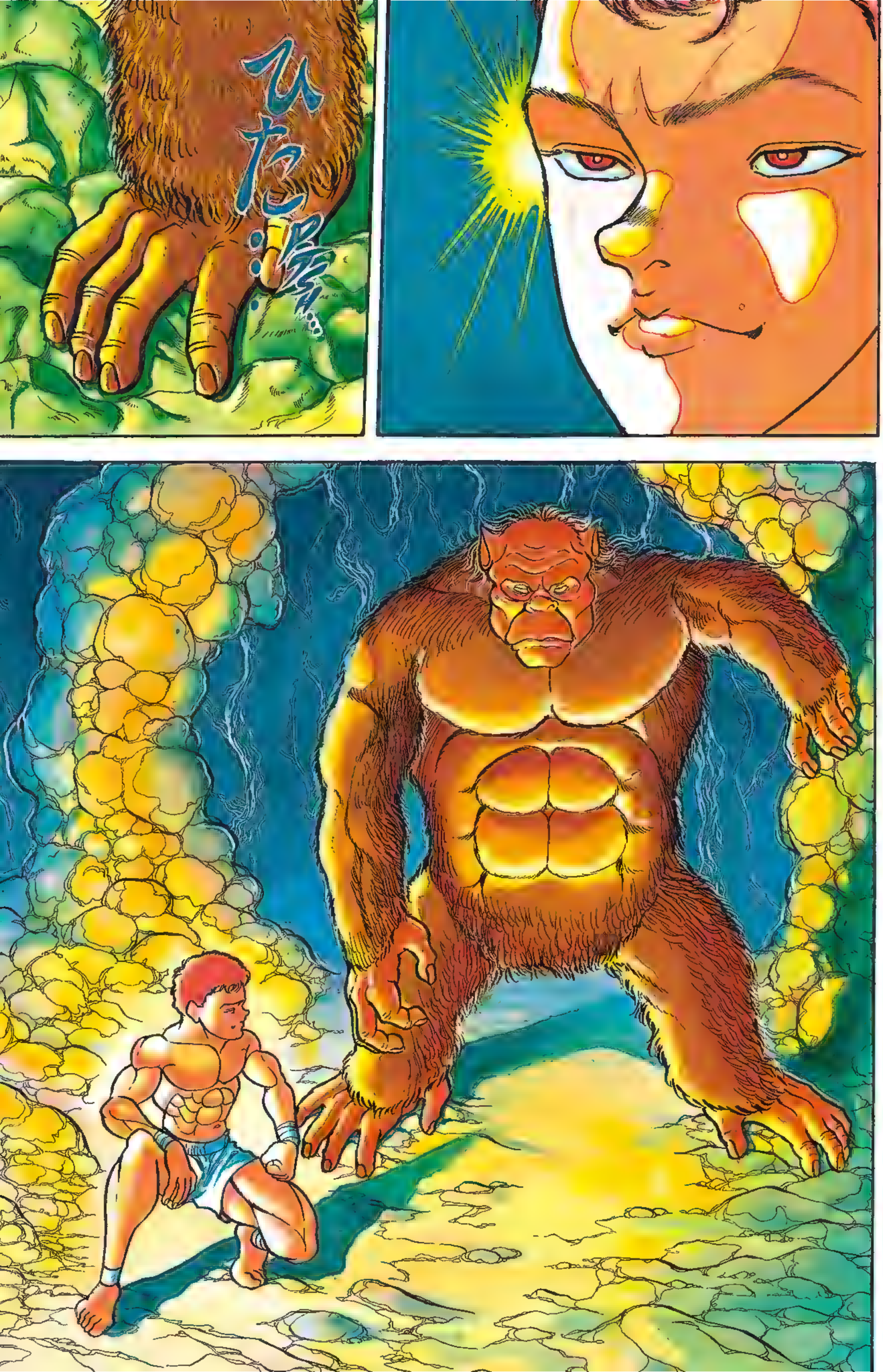
BAM

SPLAAASH...

I CAN BEAT HIM!!!

#99 Ring of Fire
BRIK


ペキ
ペキペキ…
PIK PIK PIK…
ペキ…
ペキッ
BRIK
ペキ…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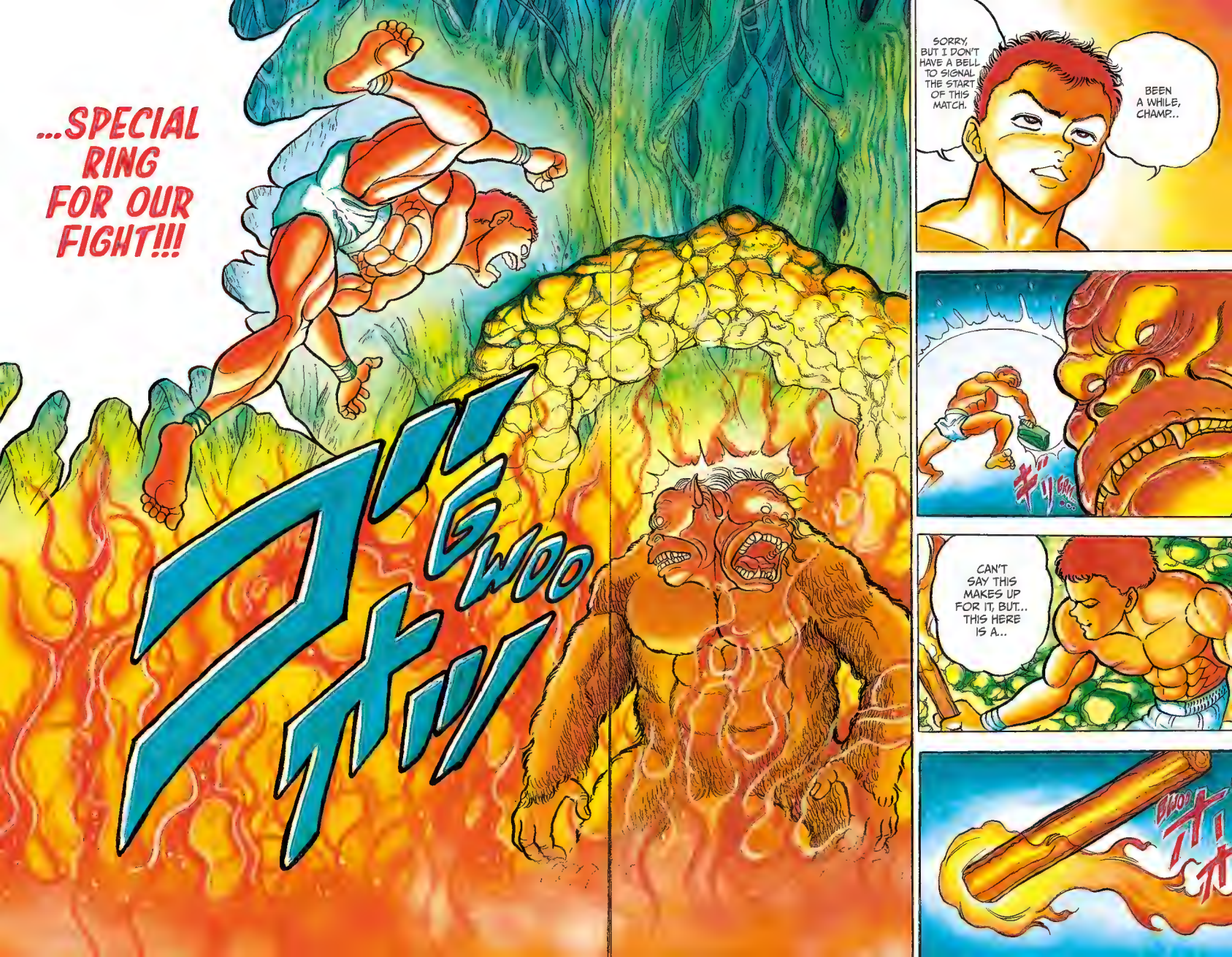

...SPECIAL RING FOR OUR FIGHT!!!
GWOO
BEEN A WHILE, CHAMP...
SORRY, BUT I DON'T HAVE A BELL TO SIGNAL THE START OF THIS MATCH.
CAN'T SAY THIS MAKES UP FOR IT, BUT... THIS HERE IS A...

BAM
THE GRAPPLER
BAM
THE GRAPPLER

HO-
KYAH!

GWOOOOO

...FOCUSED!

YOU BETTER KEEP YOUR EYES...

URYA-
AAAH!!
SHPEUN

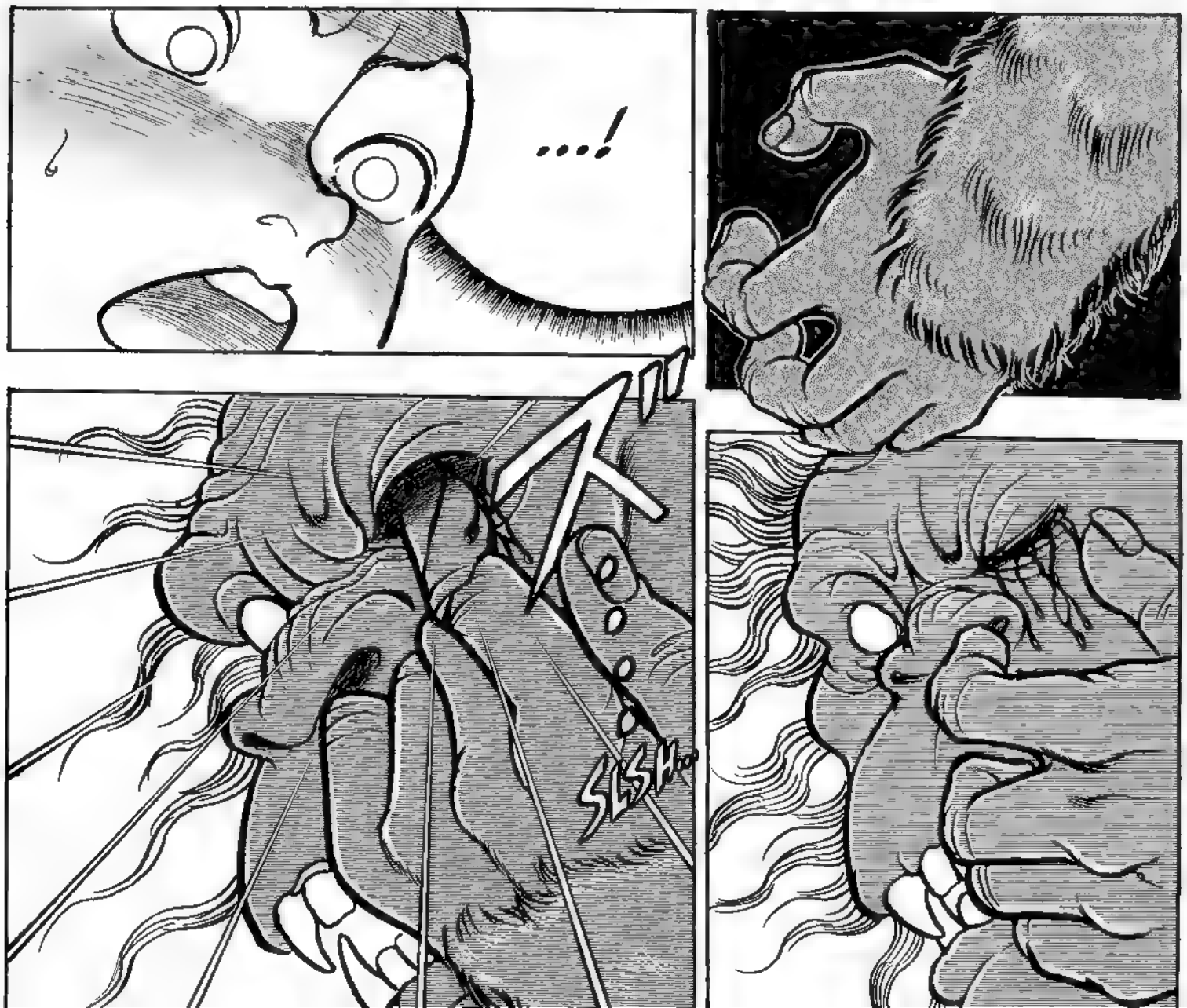
SLISH...
I DID IT!

NOW... TIME TO... FINISH YOU....

...OFF!

BRAK

THAT... SHOULD'VE KNOCKED HIM DOWN...!


...!
SLSH

SHLPP...

...!

WHP...

ROLL..

POP
MNCH...
MNCH...
KWCH...
...!
WHA...
WHAT THE HELL... IS THIS THING...?!

ヒ゛
RATTL
ヒ゛
RATTL
ヒ゛
RATTL
ヒ゛
RATTL
ヒ゛
RATTL

NO

GYAAAH!

...

...!

SHF

GANK
GRAK

WHAM!!

!!

...

ROLL

ROLL

ROLL

ROLL

HOKYAH!

HO-
KYAH!

HO-
KYAH!

FAMP

FAMP

...!

GHOO
GHOO
CHOMP

FLING

!

FLING

WHOA...

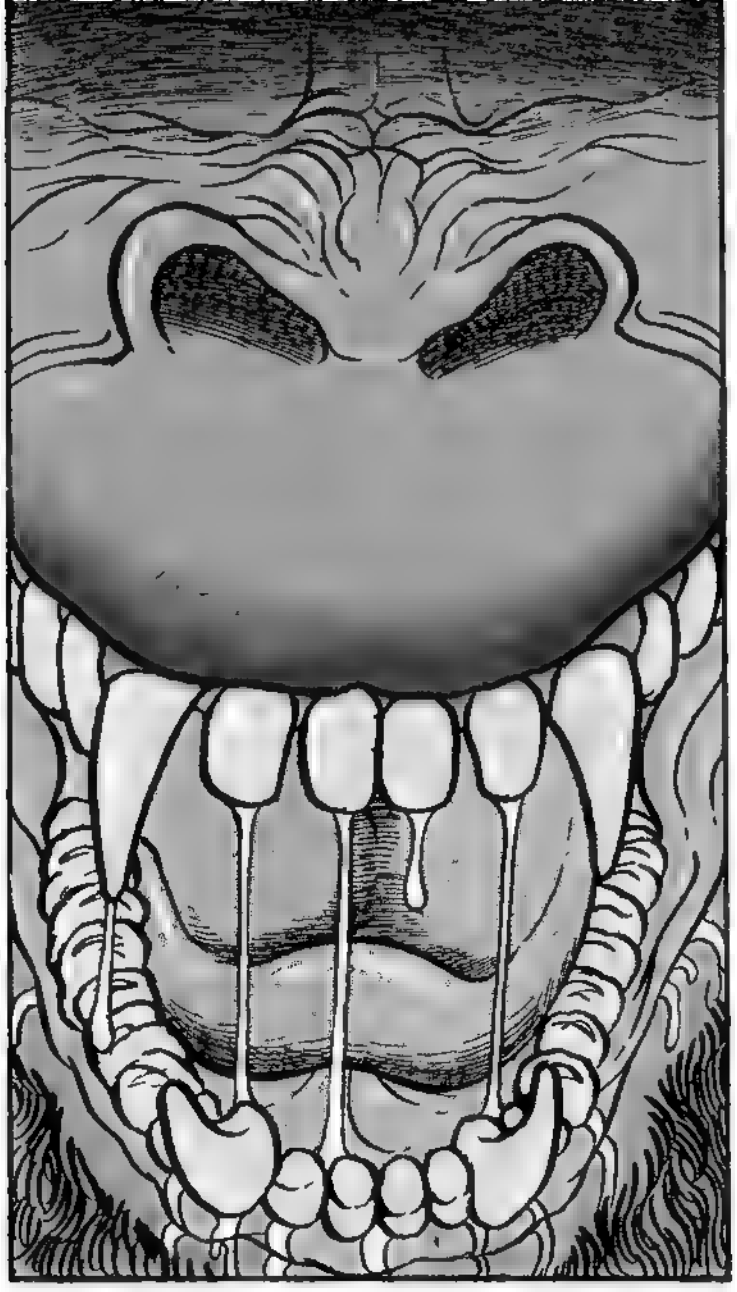
BACK-TO-BACK BITE AND SCRATCH ATTACKS...?!

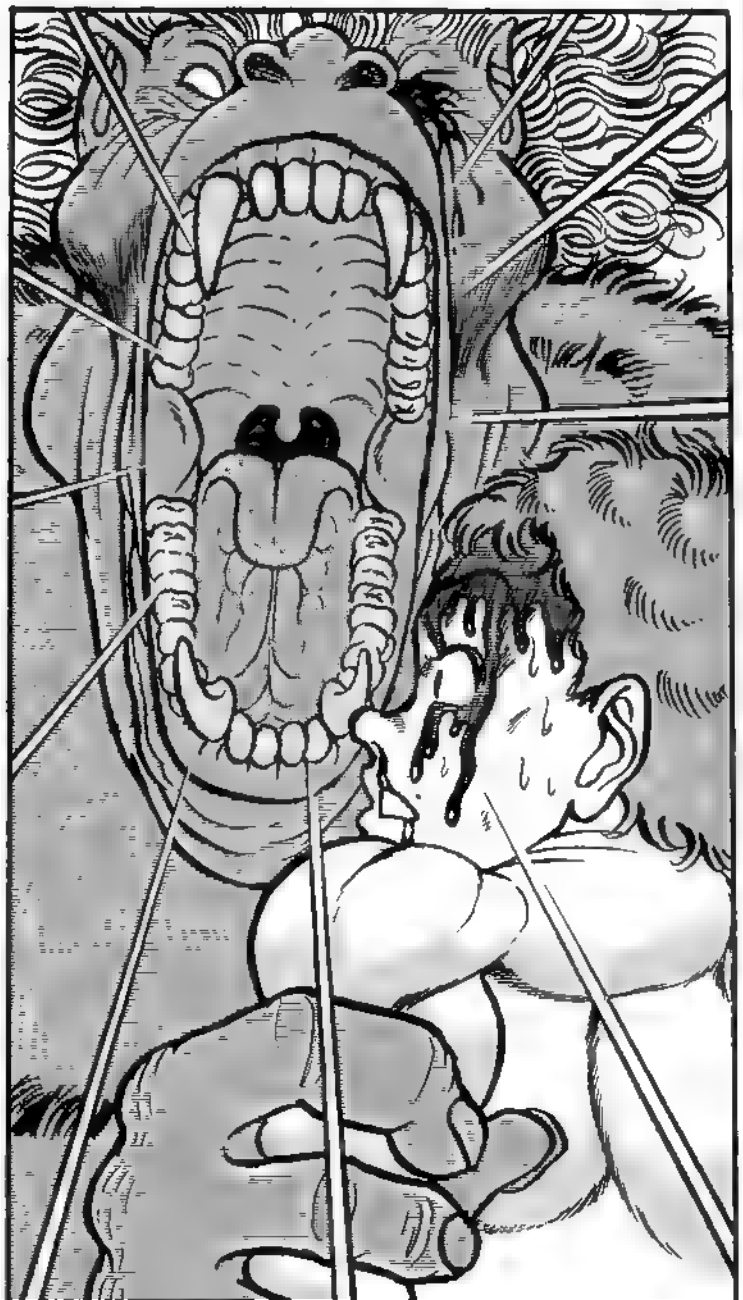
WHOO
BAM!
BAM!

ARGH!

GASP

#100 Attack the Beast!!





GRAP

GNOM

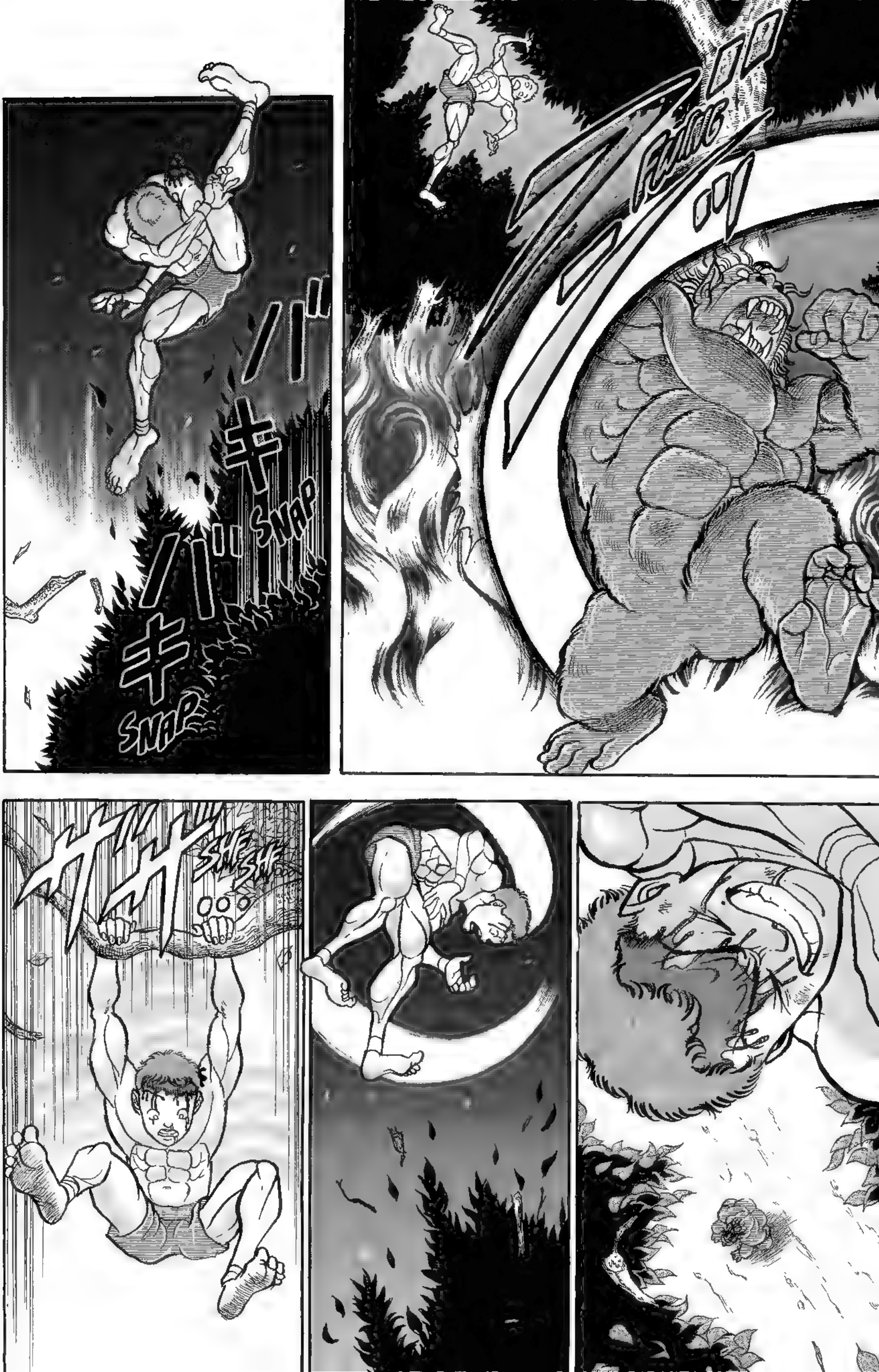
ARGHHH!

SHBL...

EEE!

EE-RYAAH!
?!
TH-THAT WORKED?!

TEH!
BA
GOO
GOO
GOO
GOO
GOOSH


バキ
SNAP
バキ
SNAP
ガサ
SHF SHF

IT WORKED... I DIDN'T THINK HIS WEAK POINTS WOULD BE THIS SIMILAR TO A HUMAN'S.
SO MY AIM IS...
...THE SEICHUSEN ...!!!

TORYA-
AAH!!

BAM

DOM

DASH

DASH

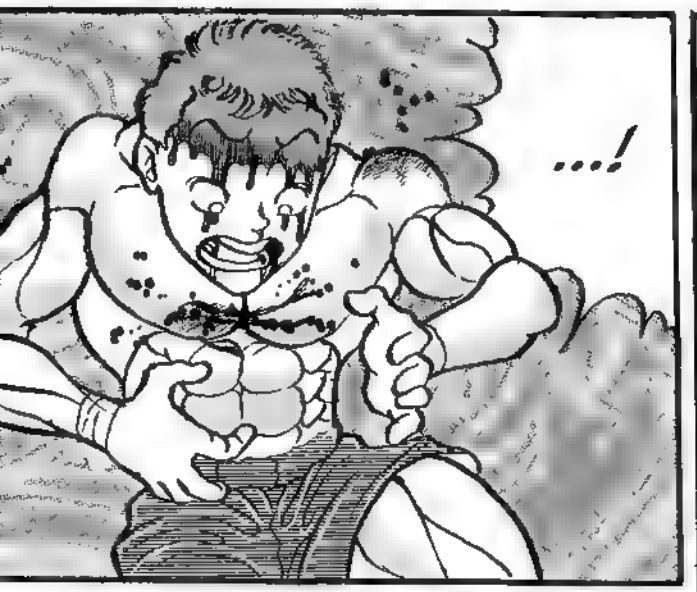
SHI!

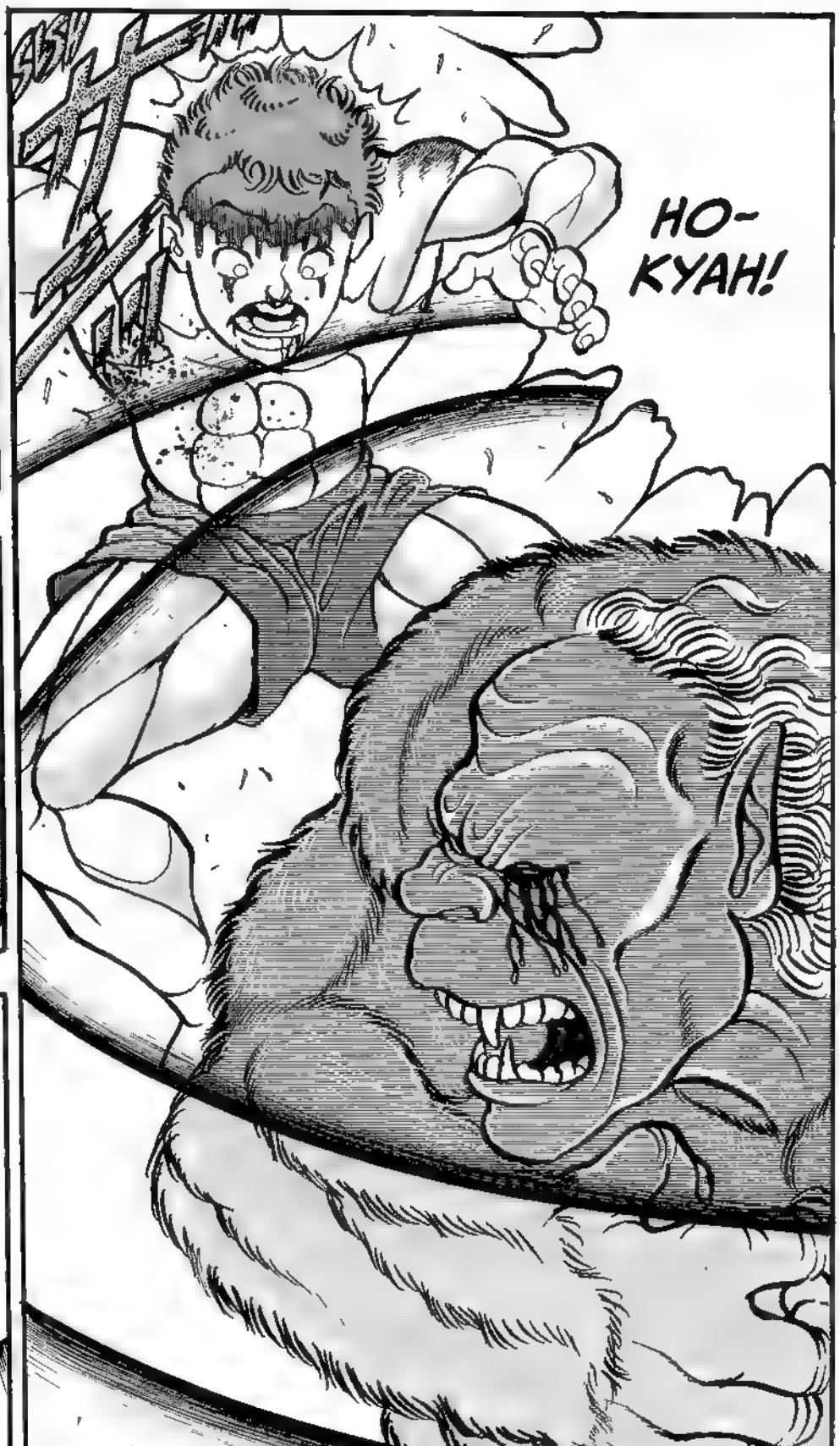
WHAK

ORA-
AAH!

KRAK

...!




SSS!!
HO-
KYAH!

MY
COMBOS
AREN'T
WORKING!

KADOOF
...!

WSH
GROG...

NOW THAT I THINK OF IT, COMBINATION TECHNIQUES WERE MADE FOR FIGHTING *HUMANS.*

THAT'S RIGHT, HE'S AN ANIMAL...

TH...

GRR...

I CAN'T BREAK THROUGH THOSE THICK MUSCLES USING *STANDARD* STRATEGIES.

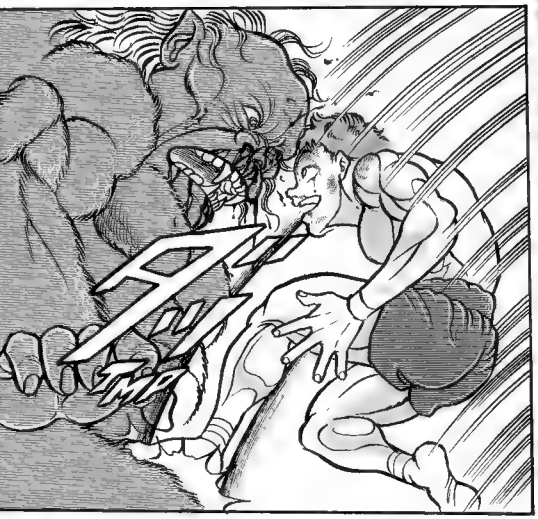
SHA-AAAH!

...SO I'M TOSSING OUT EVERYTHING I KNOW ABOUT THE MARTIAL ARTS AND HOPING THAT THIS WORKS!

IF I DO THIS, I'LL BE IN DEEP SHIT IF HE COUNTER-ATTACKS...

HERE COMES THE WIND-UP...

HERE'S ANOTHER SPIKE!
...THE PIIITCH!
...AND THERE IS...
Angels


AU
SMA

ONE MORE FOR THE GOAL!

THWAK

D'SHOOM
DMSH
!

GROG...
HELL YEAAAH!

#101 Wild Combat Power

ドカーン
HELL YEAAAAH!

HAH!

BAM

BAM

BAM

CHRYAH!

OO-RYAH!

KEI!

TE!

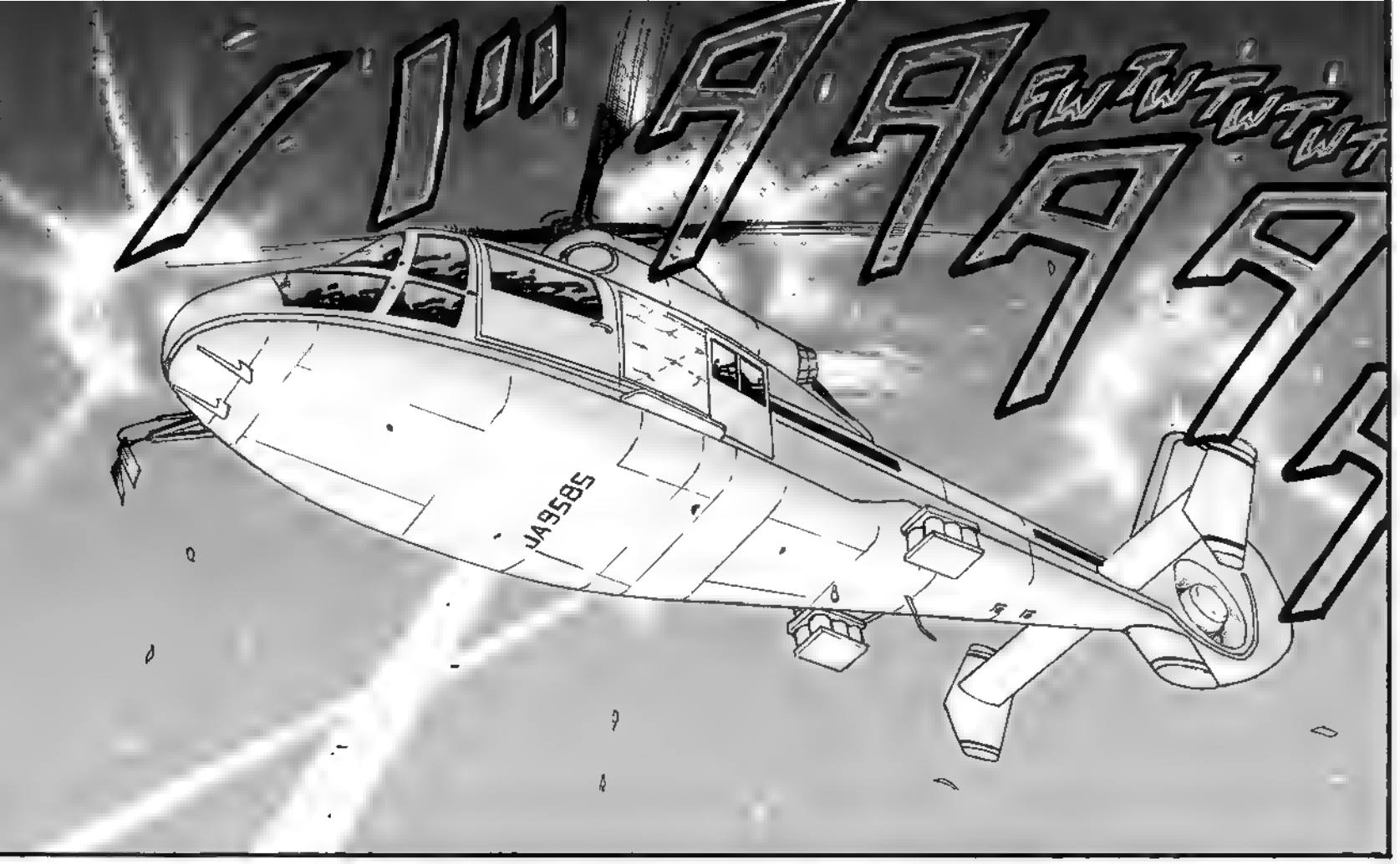
SHE-YAH!

TE-RYAH!

KAH!

HE AIN'T SO TOUGH!

I CAN DO IT!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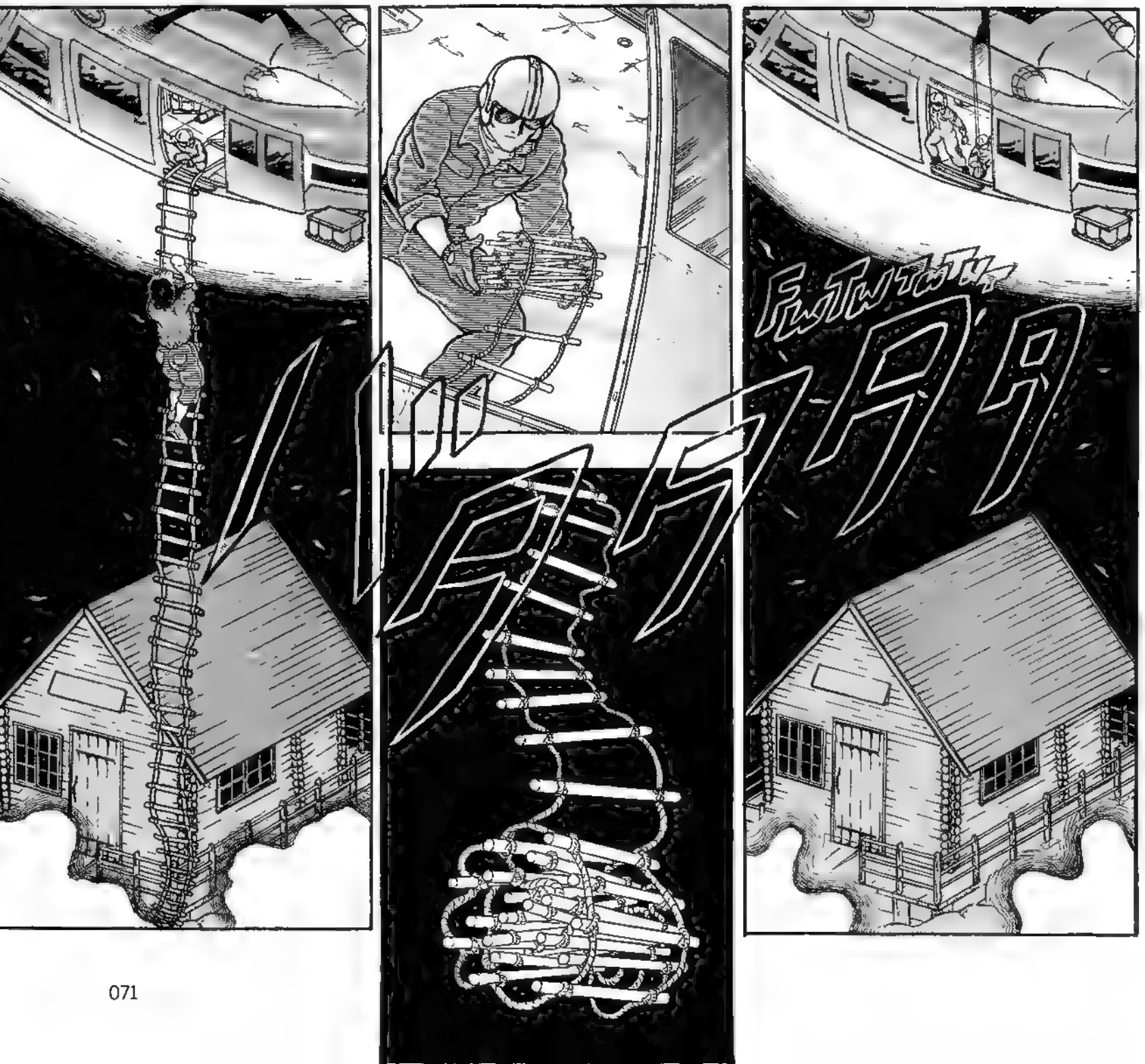

FWTWTWT

SHWCH
ズチャ

BAKI MUST'VE LEFT BY NOW.

IT'S BEEN THREE MONTHS, EH?

I HAD 200 KILOS OF FOOD AND NEARLY ALL OF IT IS GONE.

THIS IS INSANE...

WHAAA?

ARE YOU TELLING ME HE STILL HASN'T GIVEN UP?!

THAT IDIOT...

SIX YEARS AGO...

SQUISH SQUISH

BEEFEATER

Y-YUJI-ROOO!

...I USED TO EAT MONKEYS' BRAINS ALL THE TIME.

TUMP

WHEN I WAS IN CHINA ...

ONE OF THEM, AT LEAST...

Y-YOU KILLED THE YASHA APE BARE-HANDED...!

...

THE OTHER ONE ENDED UP GETTING AWAY...

I RELISHED IT...

...!

THEY'RE GREAT.

WILD BEASTS, THAT IS.

DRIP

...IS NOT SOMETHING THAT EVEN A *FIRST-CLASS FIGHTER* COULD HANDLE!

A WILD ANIMAL WITH ENOUGH COMBAT POWER TO SATIATE *YUJIRO*, OF ALL PEOPLE...

YUJIRO...

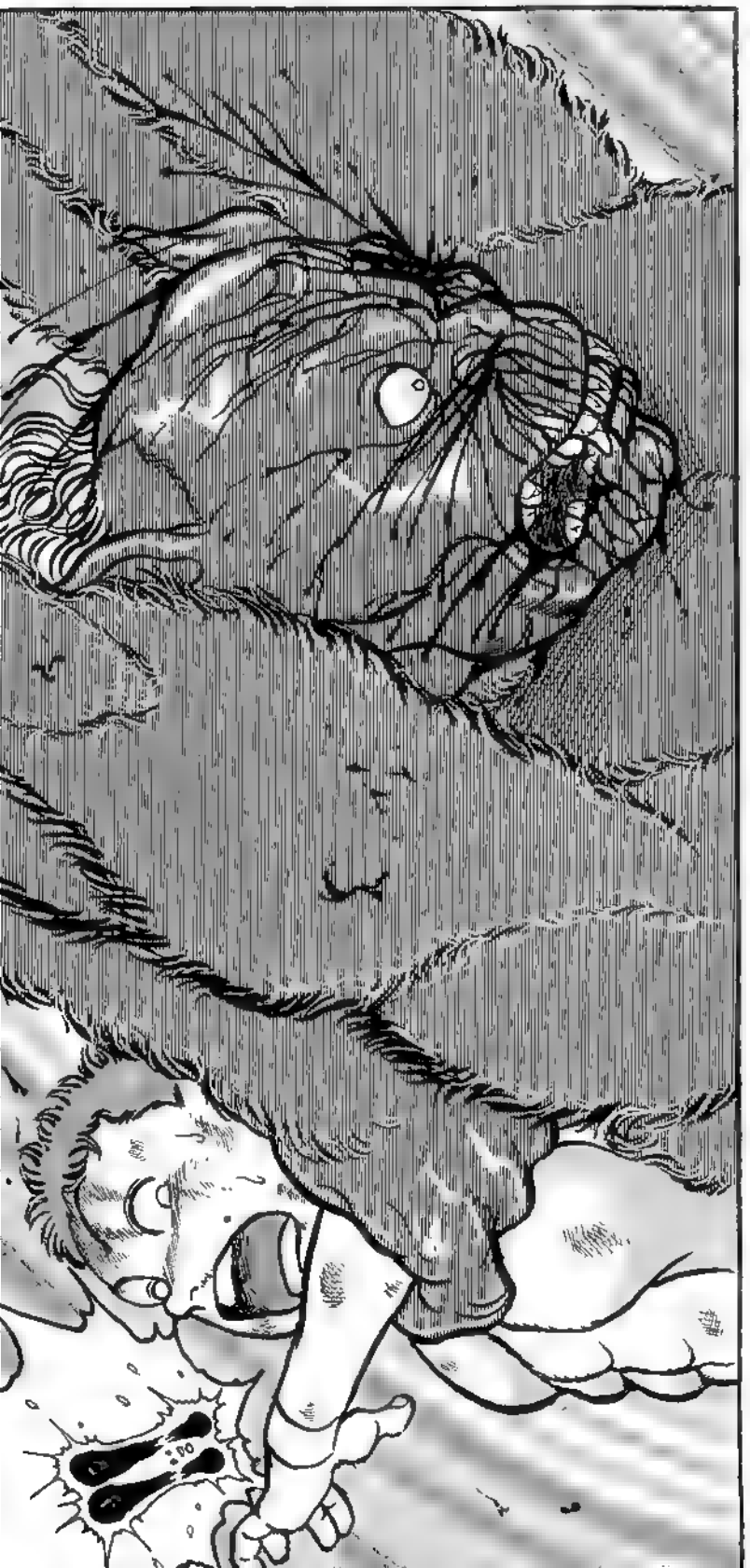
THAT... FOOL!

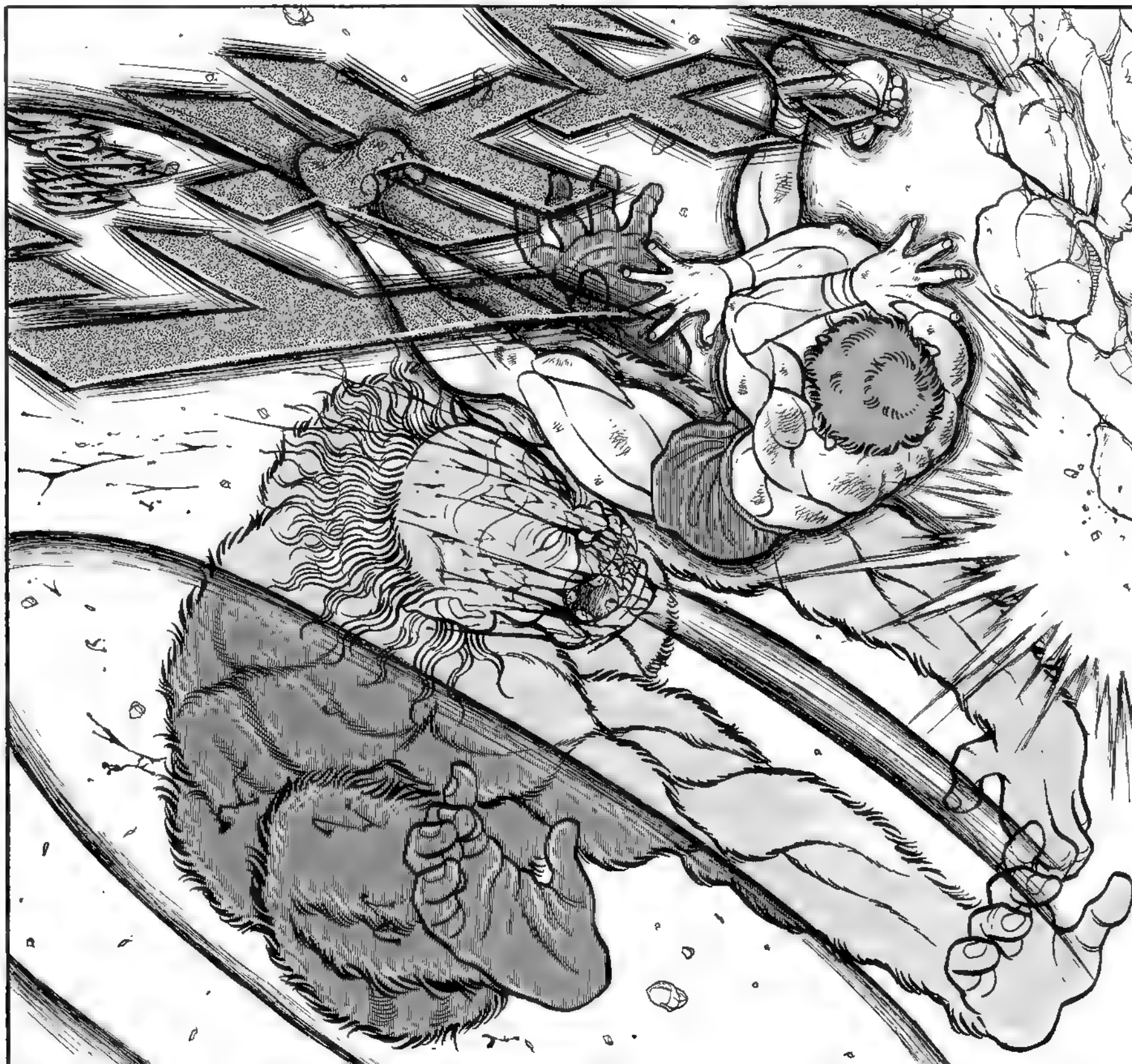
SLAM

...!

ぐら
GROG
BAM
?!
RISE...

...
GRAB
!
SKRCH
カリ
SKRCH
カリ



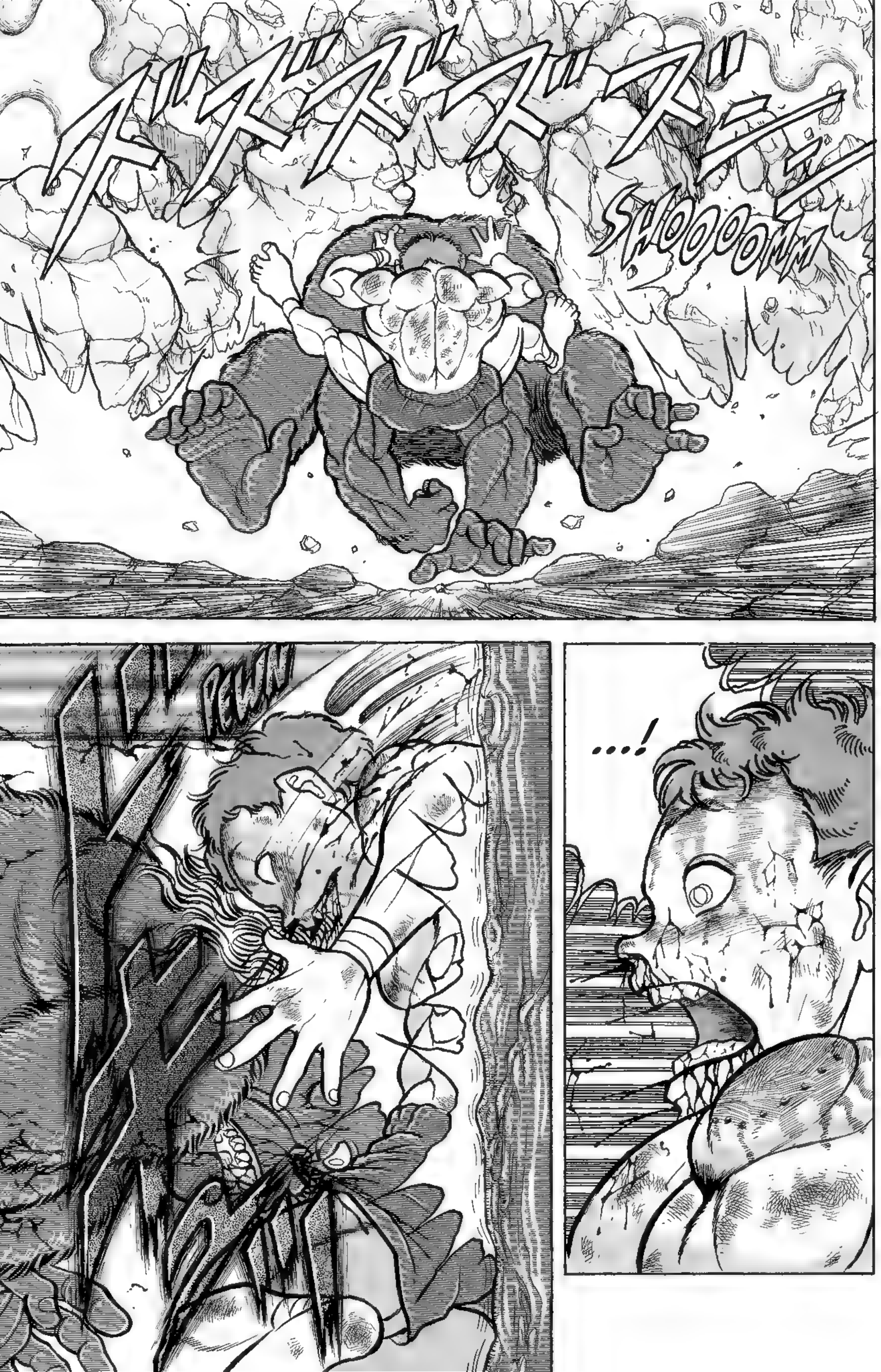


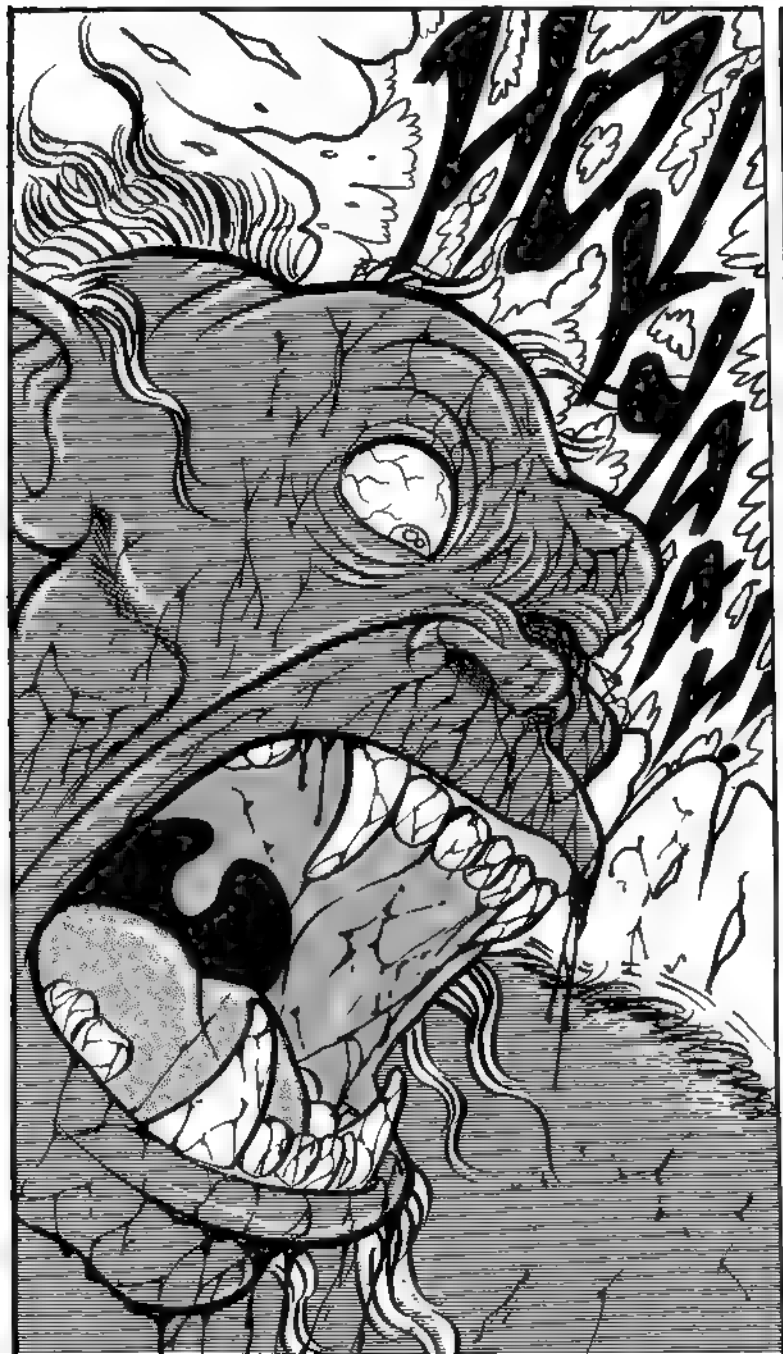
EEE...

KRASHOOM
I'M GONNA DIE...!!
SKF
SKF
SKF

ドスッ

GROG…


SHOOOOMM
...!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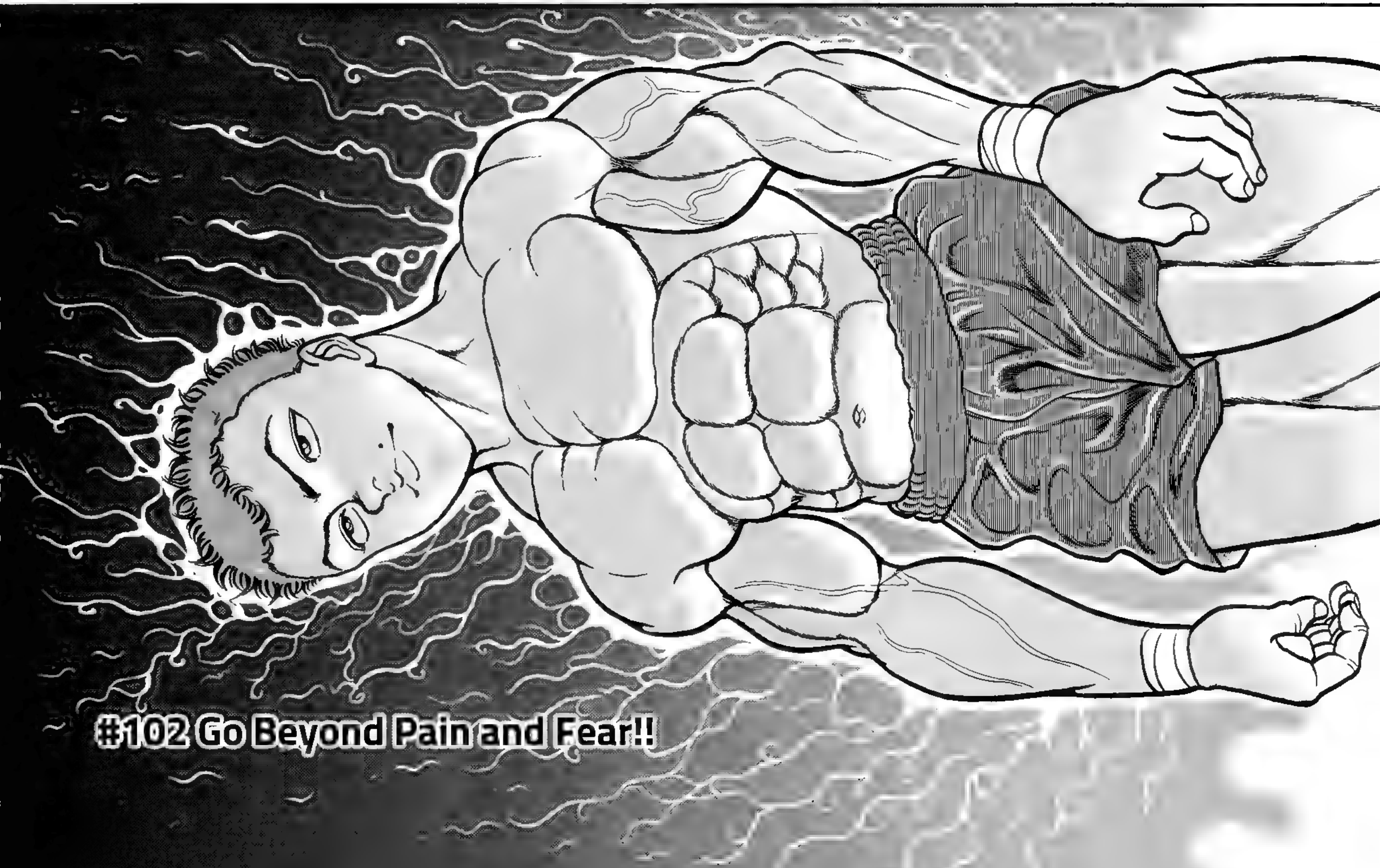
HELP...
HELP... ME...



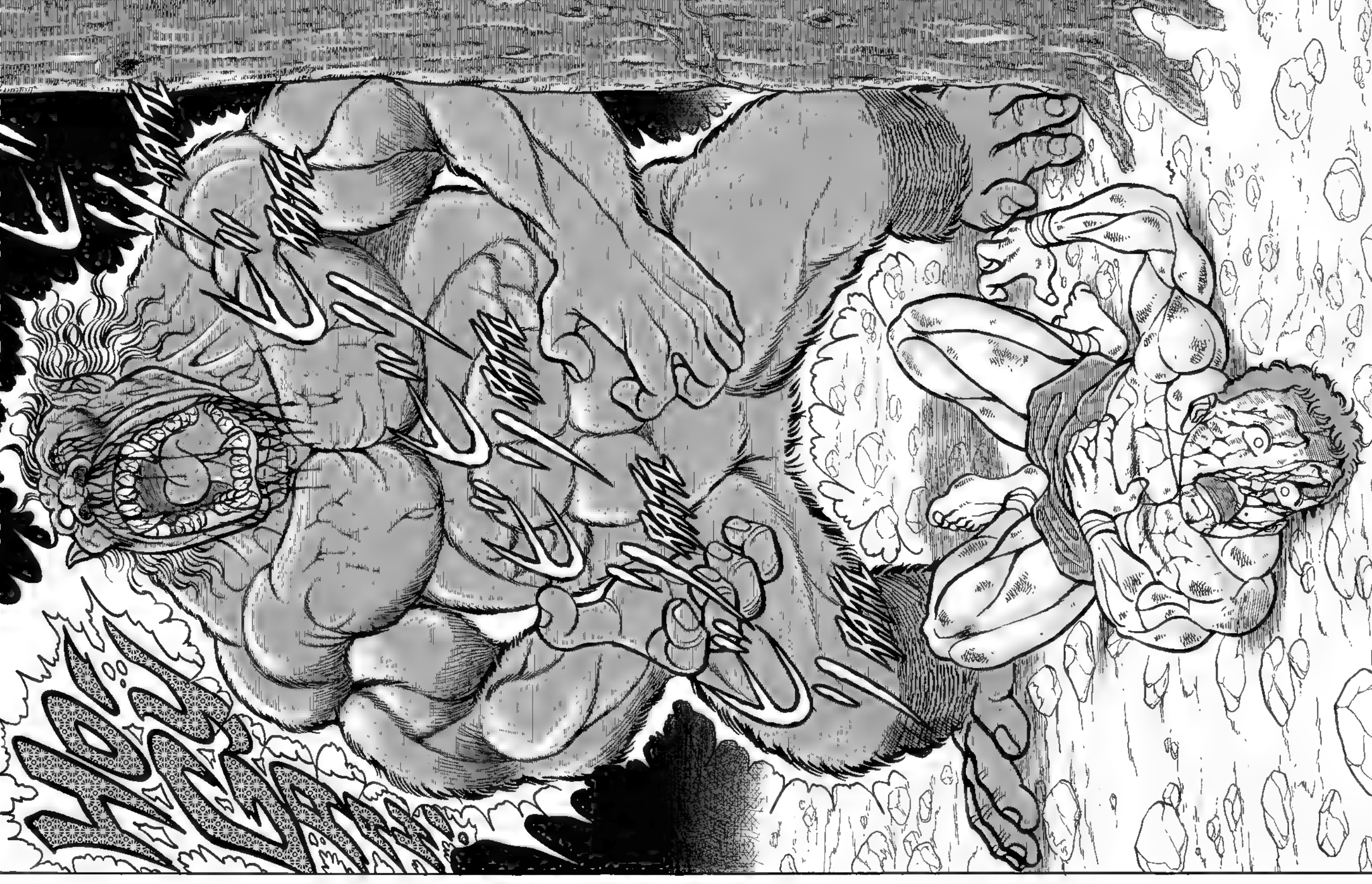
#102 Go Beyond Pain and Fear!!

I WONDER...

...IF THIS'LL EVEN BE USEFUL AGAINST THAT MONSTER...

BAKI...!

PLEASE BE SAFE ...!
オオオアアアアアアアアアア
JOLT ビクッ
I-IT'S THE YASHA APE!



HONG-
YAAH!

N...

NO MORE...

HOGYAAAH!

NO...

GRAB

HO-
KYA!

HO-
KYA!

STAMP

STAMP

YANK
!
HO-
WAAAH!

YOOF

BAM

H-
HELP...

EEE...

SKRUH SKRUH SKRUH

RIIISE...
...

HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
WHA ?!
WHY IS YASHA ROCK ON FIRE...?!

HO-
WAAH!

KA-KRAK

GRAP

GRAB
WHPSH
KRAKK

!

...!

KRIK...

!

NNNNGH!

KRIK... KRIK...

SNAP

LURCH...

SKRCH
SKRCH
SKRCH
SKRCH
SKRCH
SHWOOM
HO-
KYAAH!
SHIP
KRCH...

I'M...
BACK...

PTOO

!

#103 I'll Beat You!!

SHIP

I'M...
BACK...

ドォオオオオーーッ
BAAANG
JOLT
VWNG

LEAVE THE REST TO ME !!!

BAK!!!! GLAD TO SEE YOU'RE ALIVE!

...

I'LL FINISH OFF THAT DIRTY APE!

DON'T YOU FUCKING DARE!!!

WSH

BA...

LACERATIONS, CONTUSIONS, ABRASIONS...

YOU CAN SEE ME FROM THERE, RIGHT, OLD MAN?

WHA...?

...AND AS IF THAT WASN'T BAD ENOUGH, I EVEN PISSED MY PANTS.

I'VE GOT MORE THAN I CAN COUNT...

AS YOU CAN SEE, HE'S NOT UNSCATHED EITHER.

BAKI...

YOU'RE NOT NEEDED HERE ANYMORE, OLD MAN.

HOWAH.

HOWAH.

HOWAH.

HON-

GYAAH!

DON'T WORRY, YASHA. I'M THE ONLY ONE YOU'RE FACING.

BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM

BKYAH!

TAKE THIS!

WHISH

BAM

SHUNK

SEH-
RYAH!

STAMP

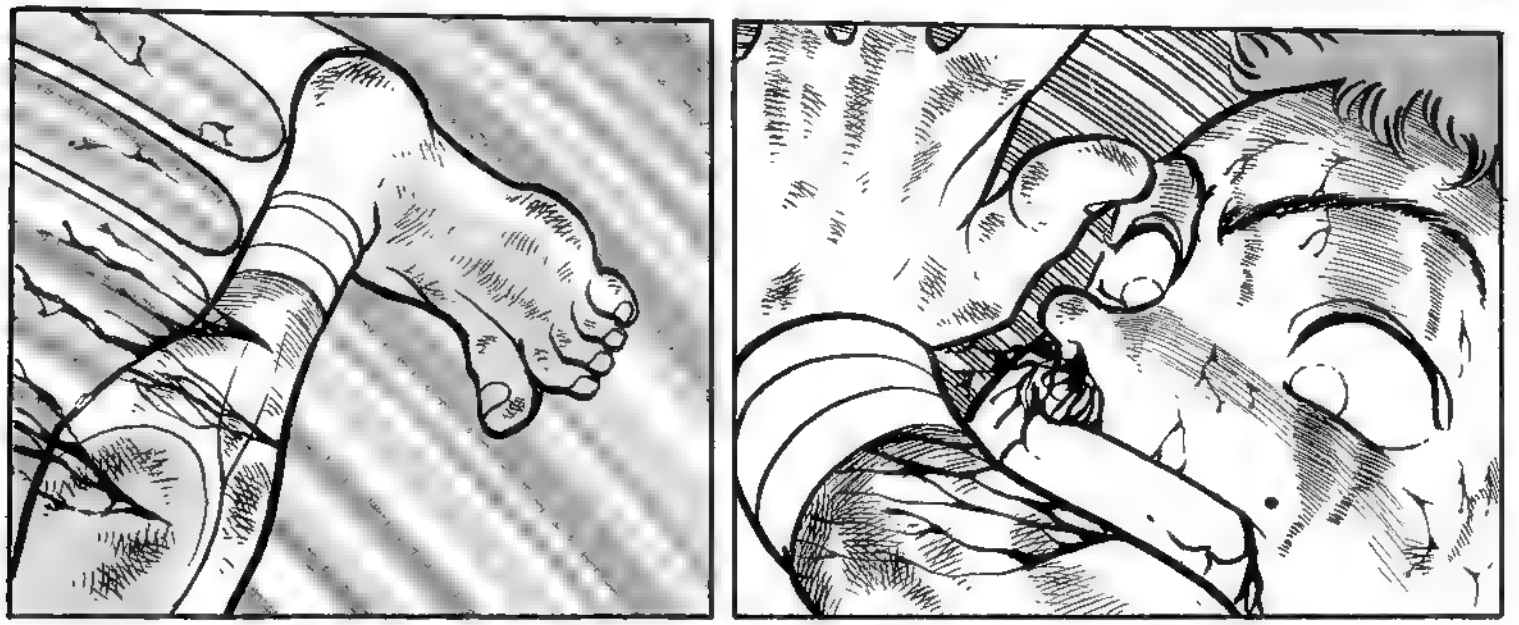
DEH-
RYAH!
KRAKOW
SHWAF

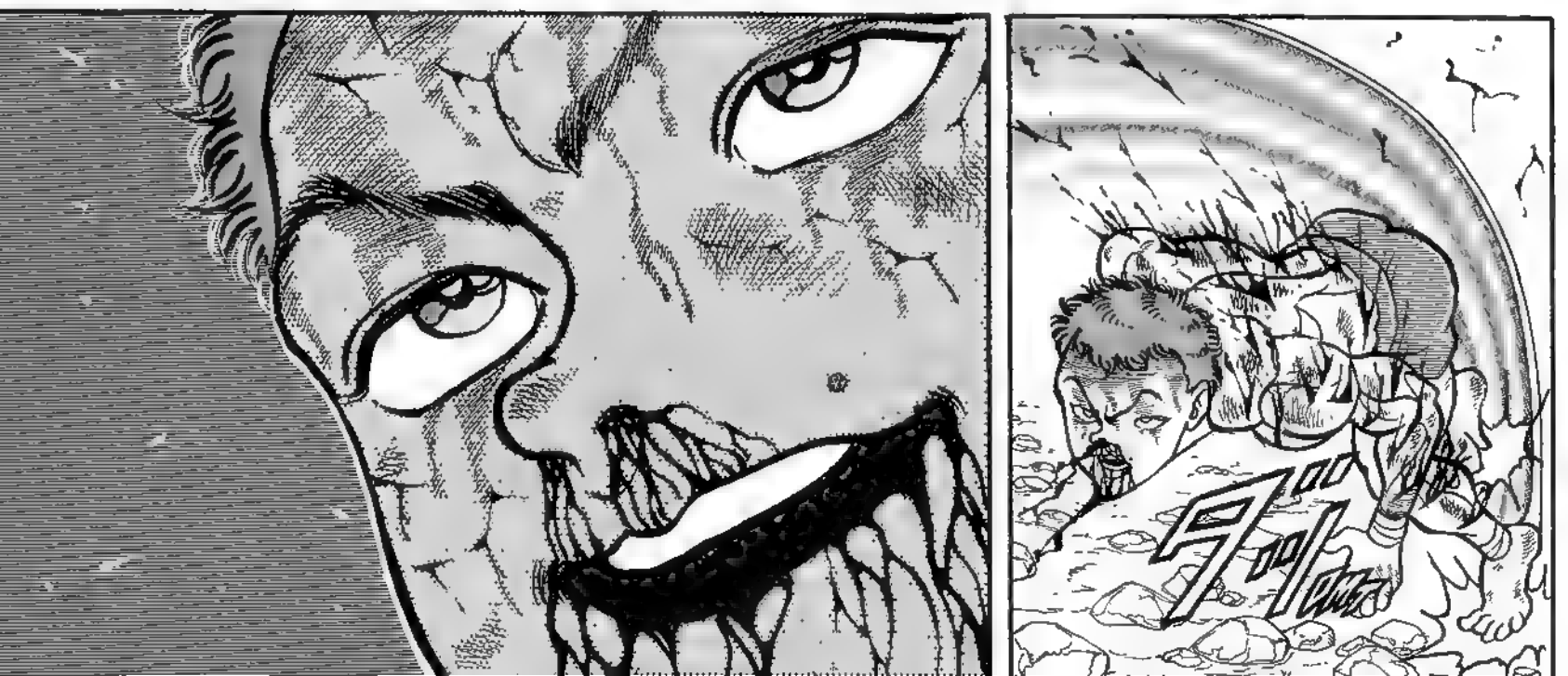
DORYAH!

SHWUNK

...!

KA-
WHAM




SLOP

THAT THIRTEEN-YEAR-OLD BOY IS FACING DOWN THAT MONSTER...

AM I DREAMING?

...AND HE'S MORE THAN AN EQUAL MATCH FOR IT.

NOW I GET WHY MY OLD MAN FOUGHT AGAINST WILD ANIMALS.
I RESPECT YOU... I REALLY MEAN IT.

SHF
THWAK
!

HEEN-
GYAAAH!

GRAB

BMF
FNGOOOH!

HE HAS YUJIRO'S BLOOD IN HIM, THAT'S FOR DAMN SURE!

HE'S USING THE OPENINGS ON THE APE'S HEAD TO DELIVER BRUTAL STRIKES DIRECTLY TO THE BRAIN...

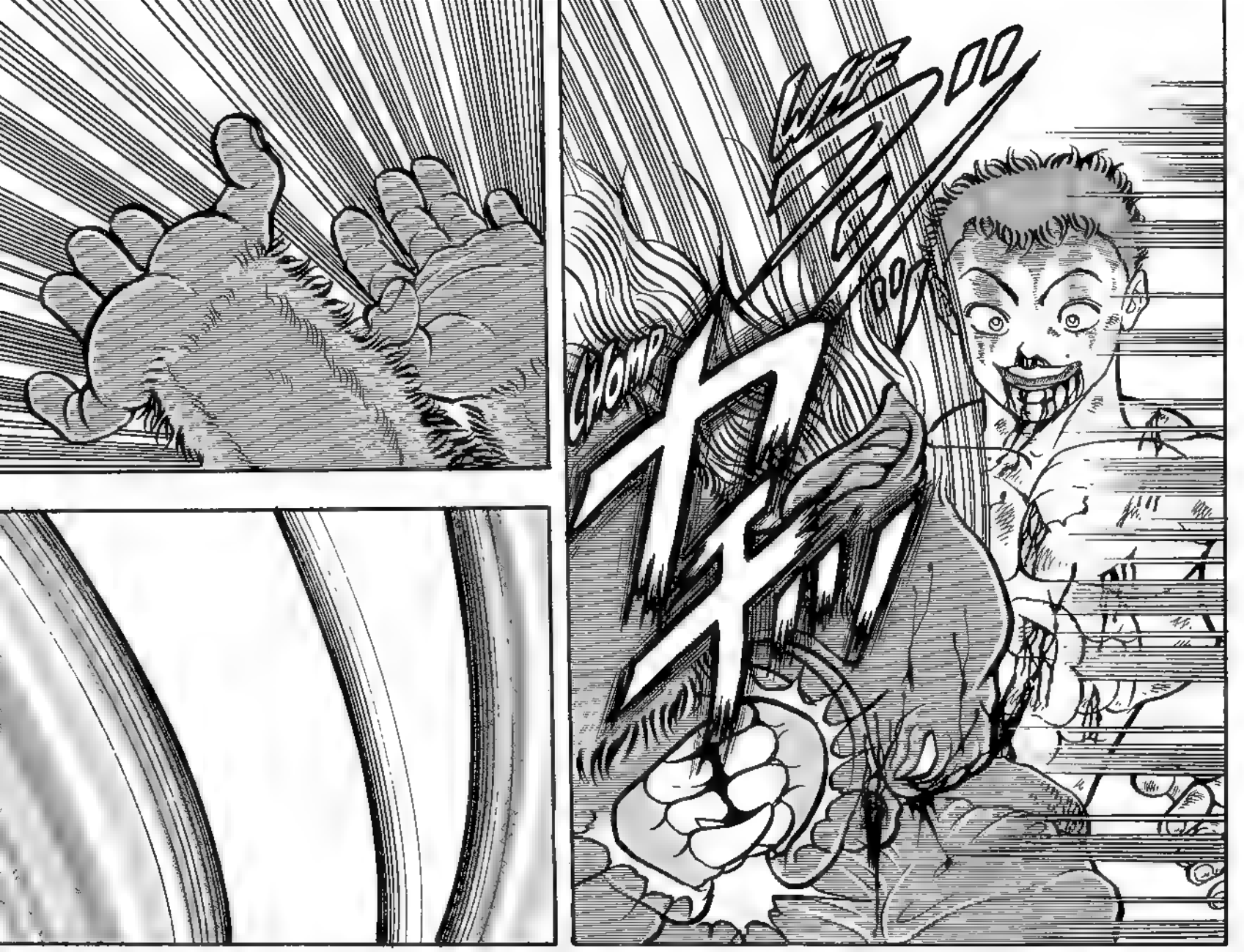
HEEE!

...!

THIS IS THE END!!!

NOW, BRING IT!

ALRIGHT!
SHWR


CHOMP
SLSH
SLSH

NOT YET.

WHY AREN'T YOU DODGING ?!

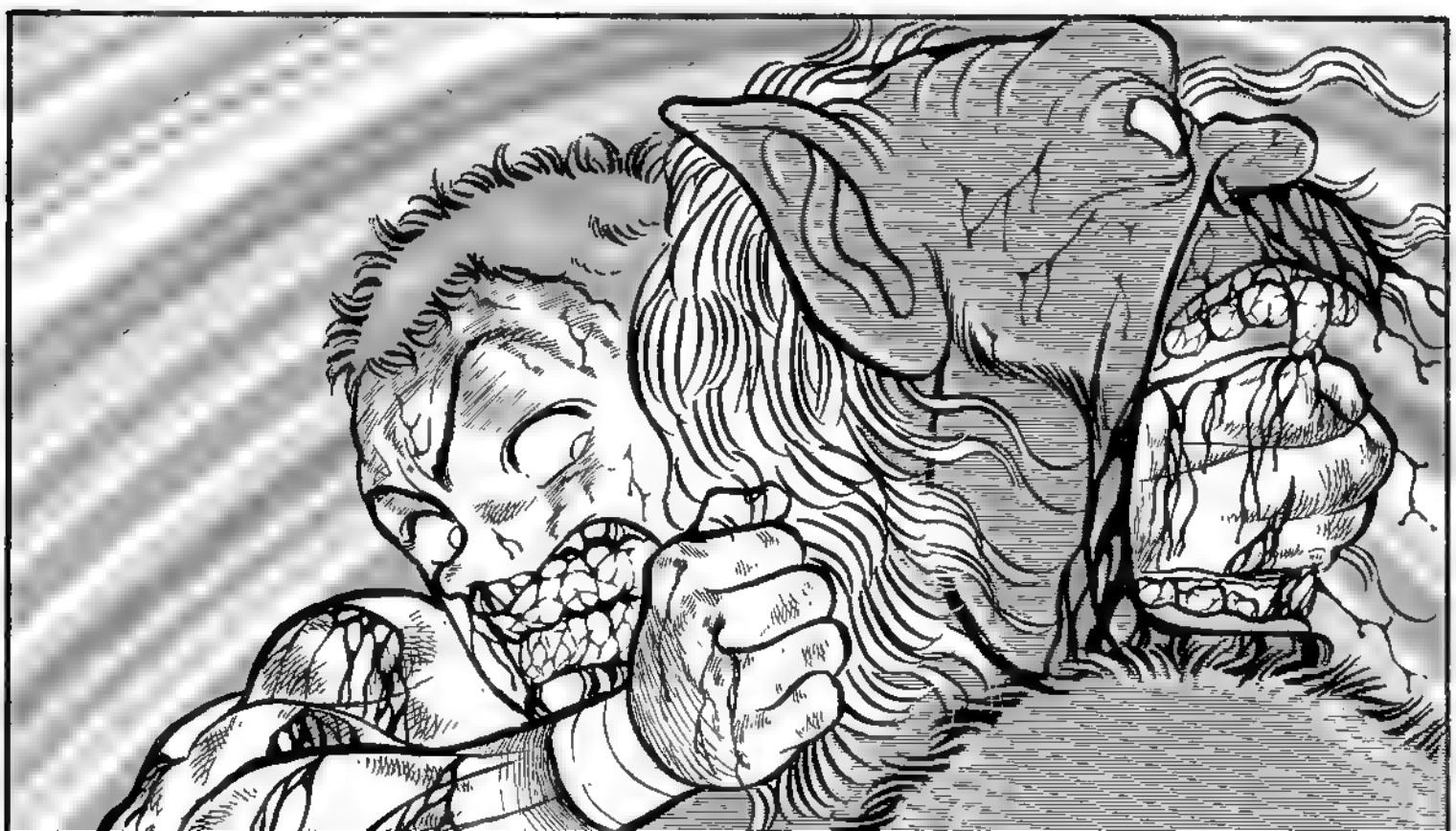
BR
BAM

ARE YOU TRYING TO DIE ?!

COME AT ME AGAIN !!!

THAT'S IT.

VWP



HE USED HIS FIST TO BLOCK HIS WIND-PIPE!

KA-

WHAM

SLASH...

...STRONGEST MAN ON THIS MOUNTAIN!

I'M THE...

PERK...

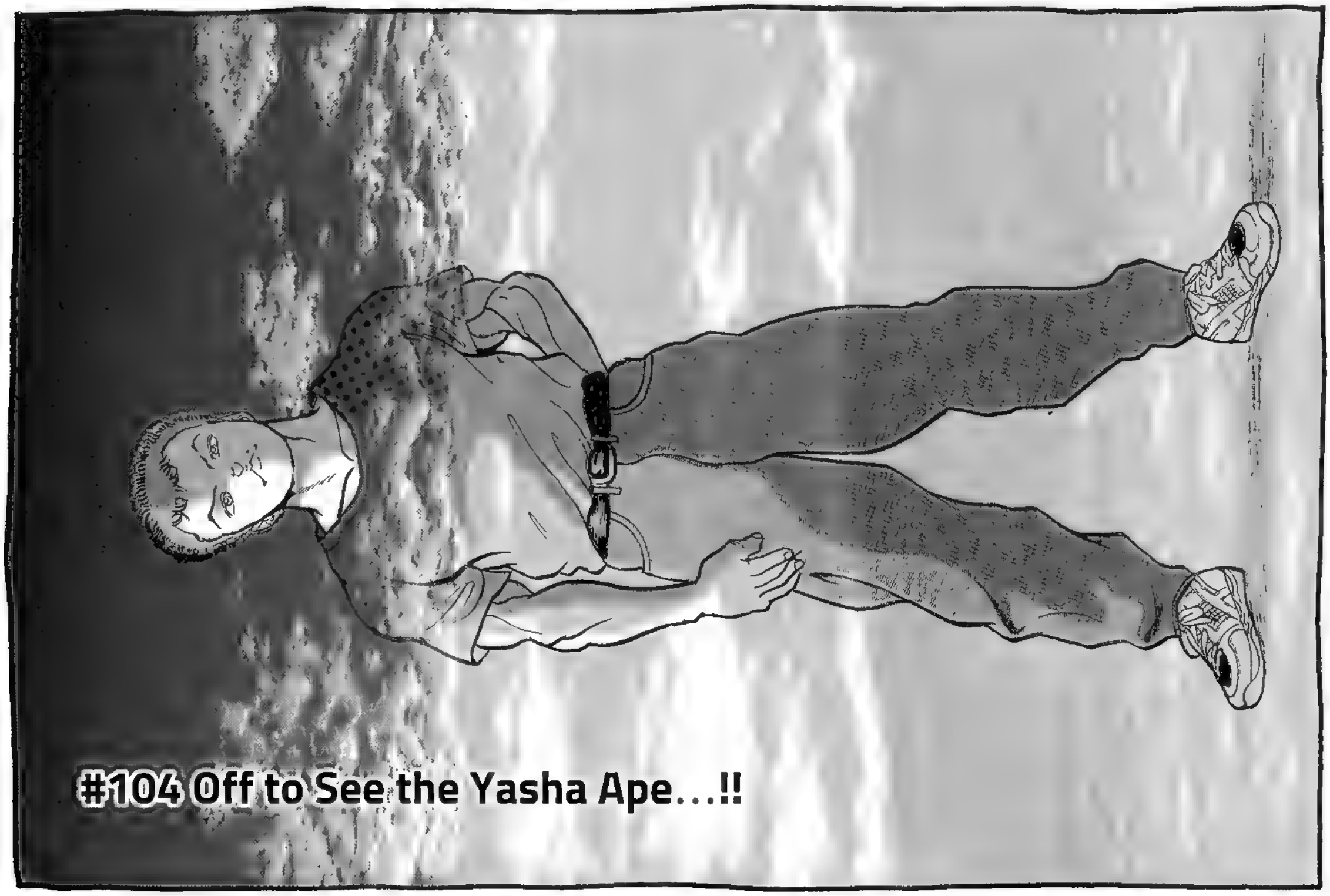
PERK...

PERK...

CHOP

HE BEAT HIM!

H...


#104 Off to See the Yasha Ape...!!

...
STRONGEST MAN IN HIDA!!!

I'M THE...

RATTL

RATTL

RATTL

RATTL

OOOO-
OORGH!

オオオオOOOOオオオオRGHオオオオ

H-HE FINISHED HIM OFF...

...!
...!
LURCH...!

...!

!

WOBBL

WOBBL...

HEH... LOOK AT YOU, LOST IN THOUGHT...

BAKI, SOUP'S ON!

MR. ANDO.

...ALL I DID WAS ABUSE AN APE WHO WAS JUST TRYING TO LIVE A QUIET LIFE...

I WAS JUST THINKIN' THAT MAYBE...

HM?

YEAH, MAYBE.

A FAMOUS NOVELIST, WHO AVIDLY SUPPORTS TROPHY HUNTING, ONCE SAID THIS...

SAY, BAKI...

"IT IS HOW PEOPLE STAND ON EVEN GROUND WITH BEASTS."

"CARRYING A GUN AGAINST A BEAST IS NOT COWARDLY."

IT MEANS THERE'S *THAT* MUCH OF A GAP BETWEEN THE FIGHTING ABILITIES OF A BEAST AND A HUMAN.

A TEST OF SKILL BETWEEN TWO ***SUPERMALES***— BAKI HANMA AND THE YASHA APE— WITH THEIR ENTIRE EXISTENCES ON THE LINE.

SO I'D CONSIDER THAT FIGHT A ***MATCH.***

I THINK YOU CAN BE PROUD OF YOUR VICTORY.

YOU WON THAT FIGHT WITHOUT EVEN SO MUCH AS A KNIFE.

...

THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT YOU TO DELIVER TO IT.

THE YASHA APE'S HOME?

DO YOU KNOW WHERE IT IS?

WANNA GO SEE THE YASHA APE?

IT'S SOMETHING ONLY *YOU* CAN DELIVER.

THAT'S THE YASHA APE'S RESIDENCE.

THERE'S A CAVE HALFWAY DOWN THIS PRECIPICE...

IT'S DOWN THERE.

YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN FROM HERE ON.

...

OKAY. I'LL GO DROP IT OFF.

I HAVE NO RIGHT TO GO THERE, SINCE I LOST TO IT... WELL? GOT THE GUTS TO MAKE THE DELIVERY?

...!

HE...

...

HE ENSHRINED HIS ANCESTORS...!

YASHA...

...

GULP

HERE ARE THE REMAINS... OF YOUR *WIFE.*

SIX YEARS AGO... MY FATHER TOOK THIS FROM YOU.

...I REALIZED WHAT HE WAS TRYING TO DO.

THAT WAS WHEN...

ESTIMATED TO BE 150 YEARS OLD...

THE ANIMAL MOST CLOSELY RELATED TO HUMAN BEINGS...

THANKS TO YOU, I MANAGED TO GET STRONGER ...

THANKS TO...

A FANG ...?

カチャ

HE'S... SMILING ...?

THE LEFT EYE I TOOK, AND THIS FANG YOU'RE GIVING ME... YOUR LOSSES WEREN'T IN VAIN.

...LOSE TO ANYONE EVER AGAIN!!!

I'LL NEVER...

SHUU SHUU SHUU

WOOOOO

WHO WILL RULE MIDDLEWEIGHT AT THE END OF THE CENTURY— YURI OR KEBAS?!

#105 Prelude to the Fight

BEEEE OOP

IT'S THE FINAL BIG CARD TO CLOSE OUT THE CENTURY—

THEY'RE STARING EACH OTHER DOWN!

THE GONG SIGNALS THE START OF THE MATCH!
YURI
PAUSE THE VIDEO.
MADAM... I HAVE BROUGHT THE YOUNG MASTER.

MISS ME?

a good breathing exercise help your body in good condition

ADIDAS THREE STRIPES CLUB

ADIDAS HELPS TO EXPRESS ON THE BODY THE WELL-HARMONY between a technical design and a human technologe

BAKI...

DID YOU... GAIN WEIGHT ?

I'M THINNER THAN BEFORE.

BUT I GOT *BIGGER.*

a good breathing exercise helps your body in good

WELCOME BACK.. ♡

YOU'VE GOTTEN STRON-GER.

TAKE A SEAT...

BY FIGHTING THAT APE...

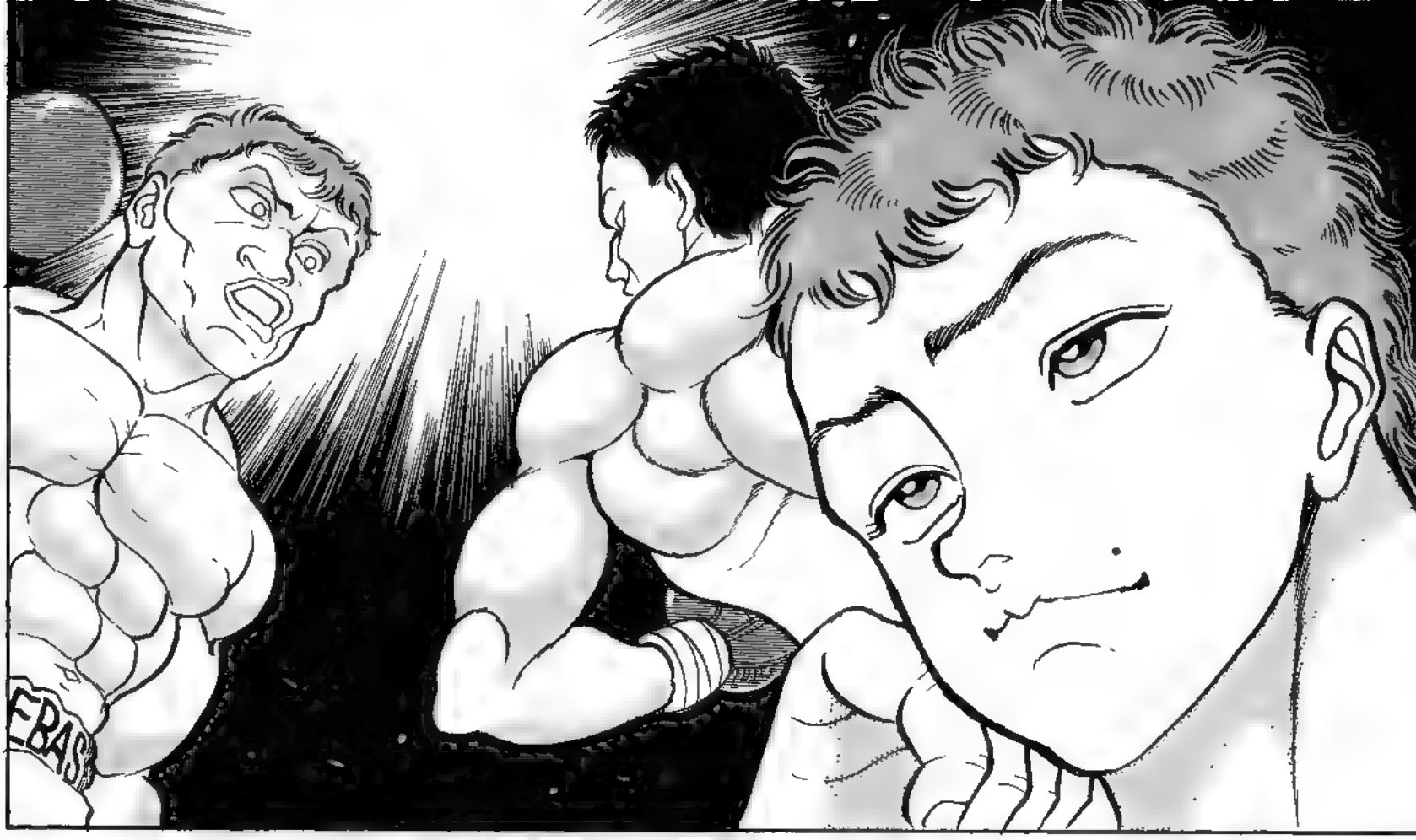
WORD GETS TO YOU FAST, AS ALWAYS ...

SIGHHH...

BUT THE WORLD DIDN'T STAY STILL WHILE YOU WERE OFF FIGHTING THE YASHA APE IN HIDA.

I PRESUME YOU KNOW WHO THE MAN ON THE LEFT IS.

THIS MATCH WAS CALLED THE LAST BIG CARD OF THE CENTURY, BUT ONCE YOU LOOK UNDER THE LID, IT WAS QUITE THE ANTICLIMACTIC SHOWING.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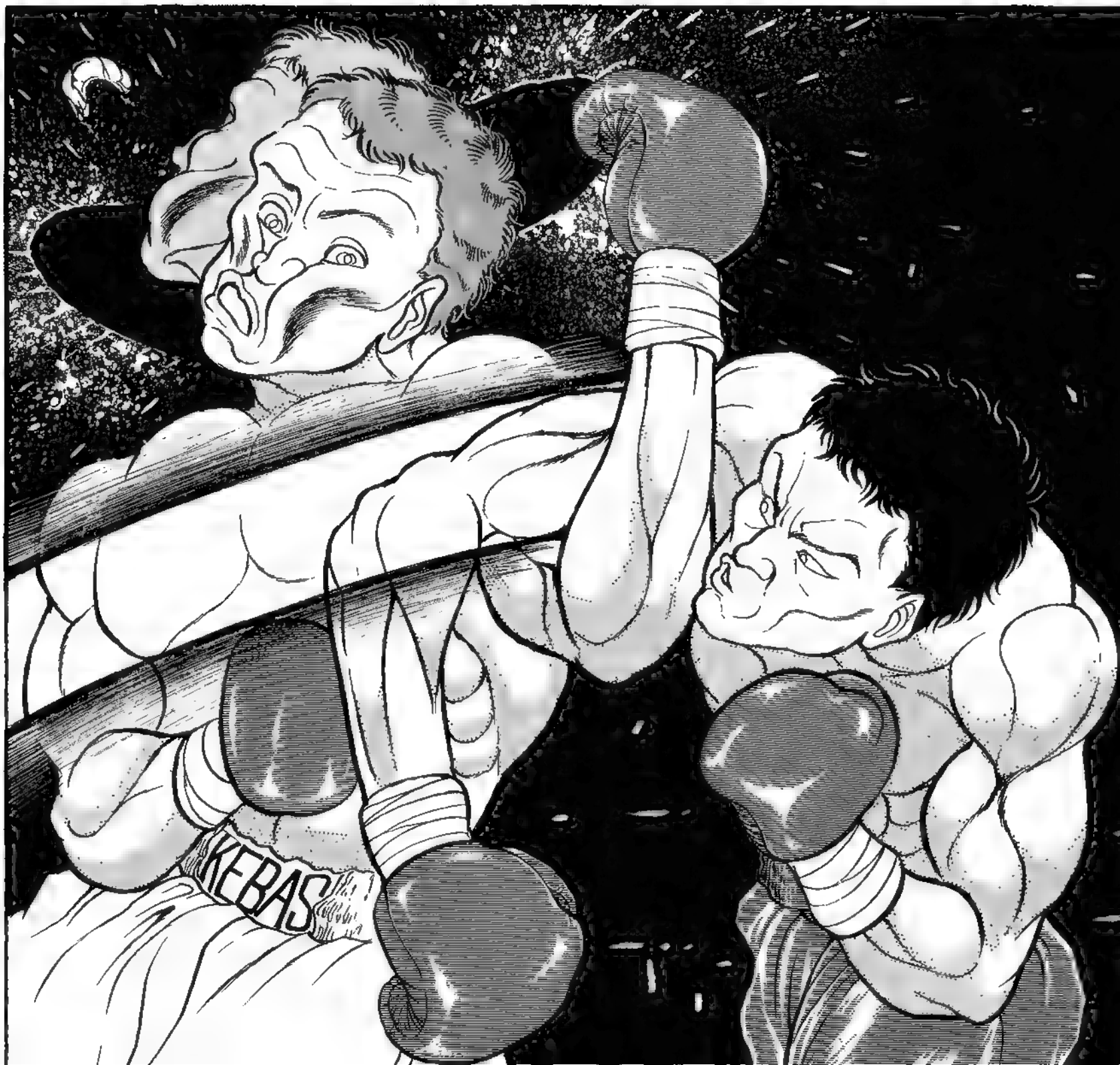

KEBAS

HIS *DECISIVE RIGHT CROSS* WAS ALL OVER THE FRONT PAGE OF THE SPORTS PAGES THE NEXT DAY.

Budweiser

NOW THAT HE HAS TECHNICALLY CONQUERED THE MIDDLEWEIGHT CLASS, YURI DECLARED THAT HE'S GOING TO DO THE SAME TO THE HEAVYWEIGHTS NEXT.

NBC ABC CBS

SEE HIS *RIGHT?* COULD YOU DODGE THAT, BAKI?

NO MATTER HOW YOU SLICE IT, FROM WEIGHT TRAINING TO SPORTS PSYCHOLOGY, THEY HAVE THE STRONGEST TEAM AROUND.

STAYING IN STEP WITH THIS, THE TEIO GYM HAS INVITED SUPER TOP-CLASS INDIVIDUALS TO JOIN THEIR STAFF FROM AMERICA.

AT THIS POINT, YURI WAS SEVENTY-FIVE KILOS, A WHOLE TEN KILOS MORE THAN WHAT HE WAS AT WELTER-WEIGHT.

THIS IS FOOTAGE TAKEN FROM THE TEIO GYM LAST MONTH.

YOUR RIVAL HAS WIDENED THE GAP BETWEEN HIM AND YOU.

WELL, BAKI?

MAYBE IT'S JUST THIS MONITOR...

...

SLOW? YOU MEAN YURI?

BUT HE LOOKS SLOW.

THE YURI *I* REMEMBER WAS FIVE TIMES FASTER THAN *THIS...*

REALLY SLOW.

...!

THIS LOOKS LIKE HE'S FIGHTING IN SLOW MOTION.

KURIYAGAWA! NOW ISN'T THE TIME TO HAVE HIM FIGHT SOME YAKUZA.

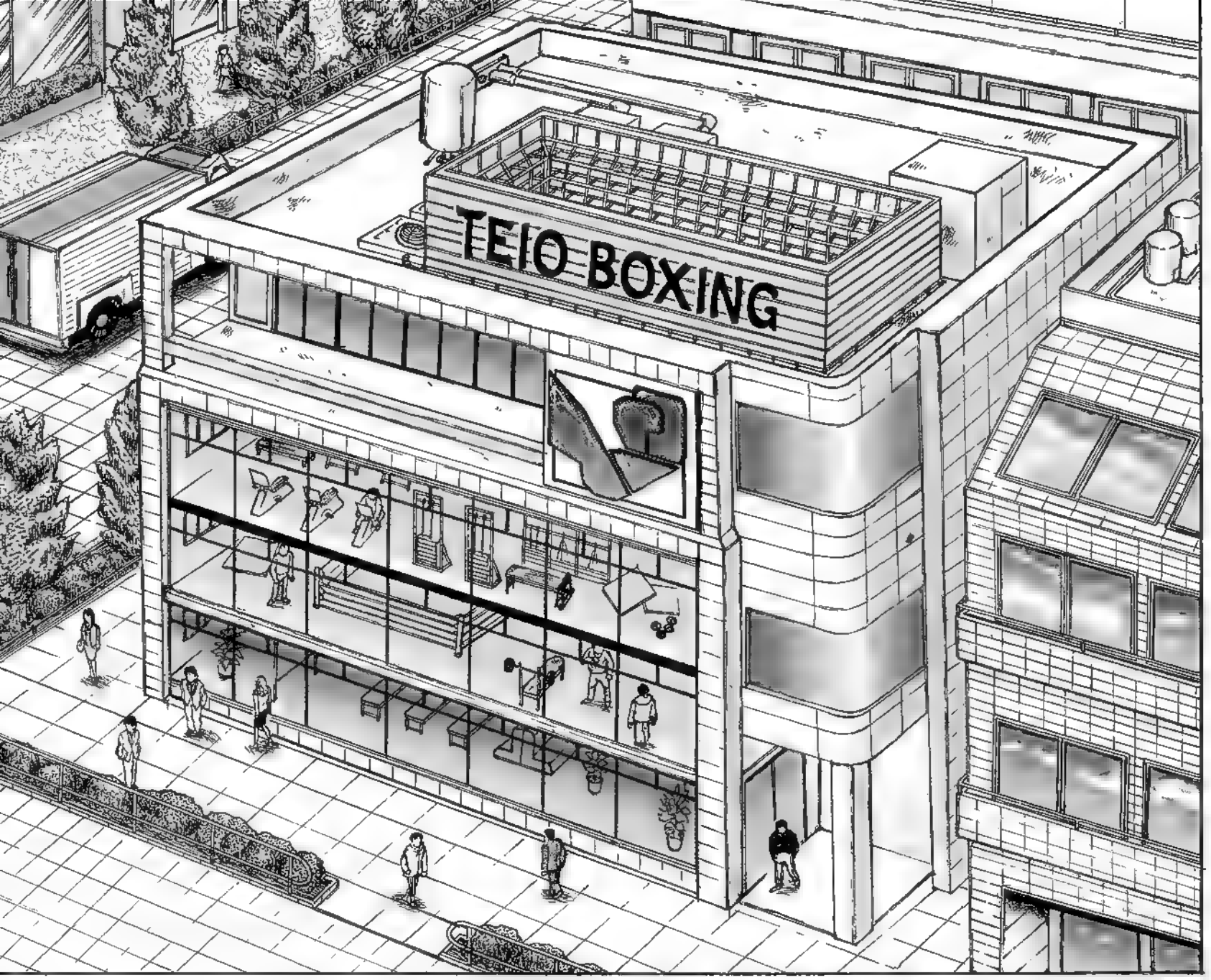
AS SOON AS HIS NEXT MATCH IS OVER, I WANT YOU TO CONTACT YURI.

...

V-VERY WELL.

...!

FREE-STYLE RULES. AS FOR THE PRIZE MONEY, WE'LL PAY THEIR ASKING PRICE.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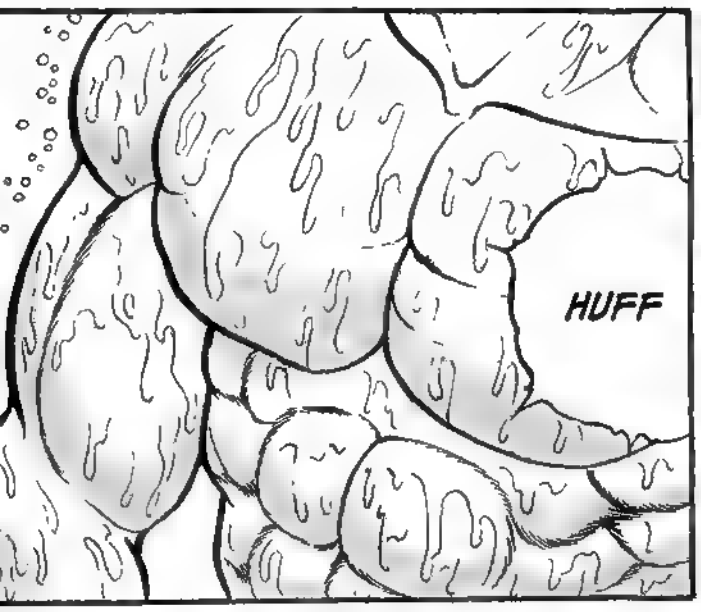
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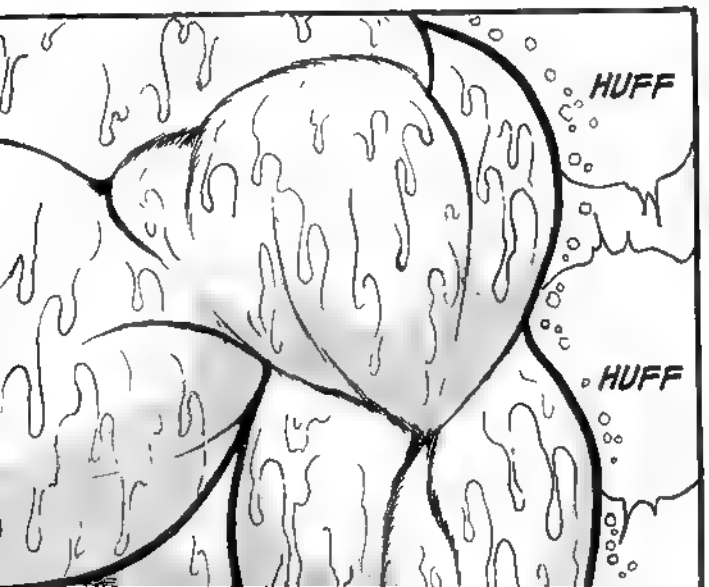
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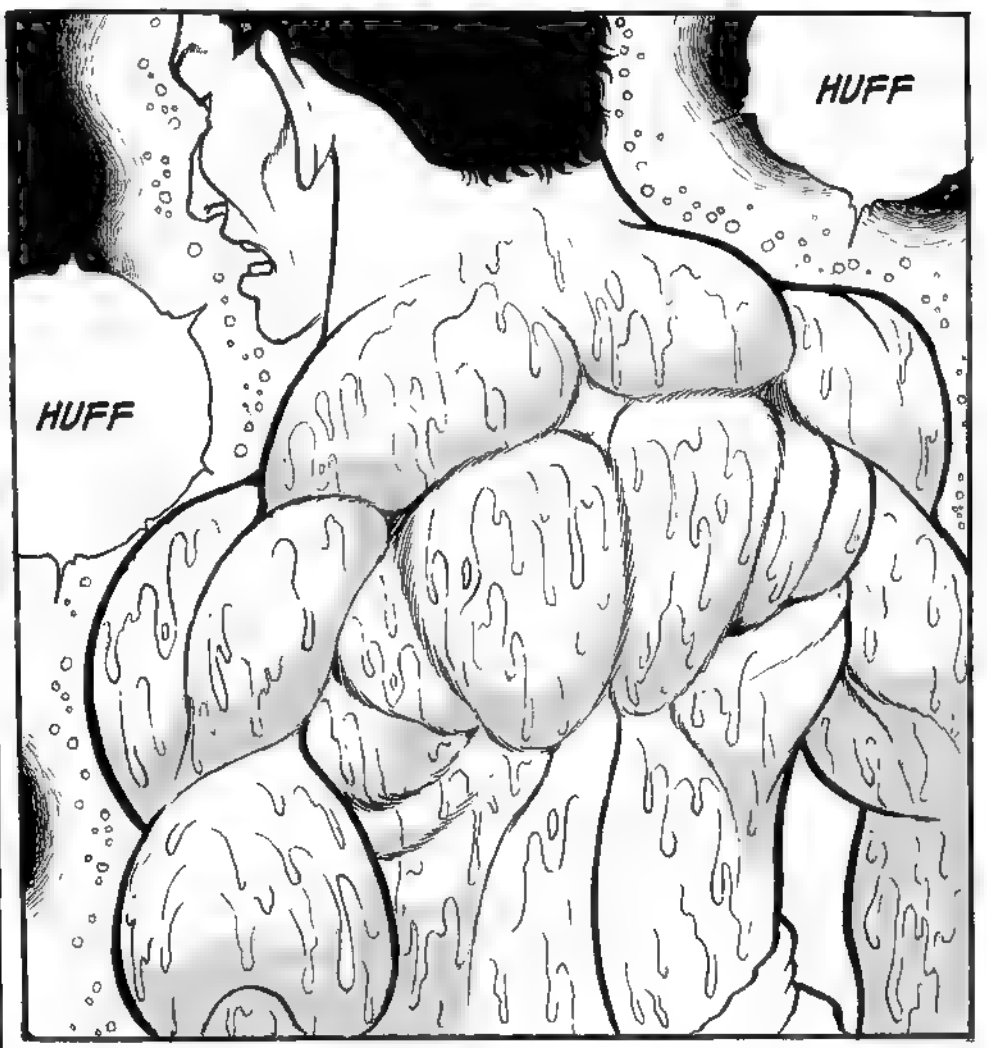
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HUFF

YOUR WEIGHT THIS MORNING WAS EIGHTY-ONE KILOS... YOU'RE DOING TRULY WELL.

YURI

...

WHAT DO YOU THINK, MR. VLADIMIR...?

...AND HE HASN'T DROPPED IN SPEED AT ALL, TO BOOT.

UNBELIEVABLE. HE'S UP NEARLY FIFTEEN KILOS IN TWO MONTHS...

OUR TEAM IS AN ABSOLUTE FORCE...

SEEMS OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE HUMAN BODY STILL ISN'T UP TO SNUFF..

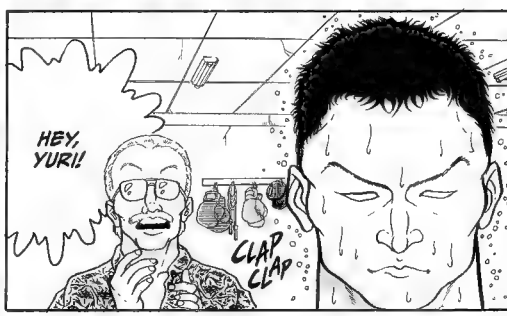
THOSE OF US FROM THE BOXING WORLD HAVE A LOT TO LEARN FROM YOU PEOPLE...

...YOU'VE RECEIVED *MUSCLES* AND *POWER* STRAIGHT FROM GOD HIMSELF... AND I KNOW JUST HOW TO DO IT.

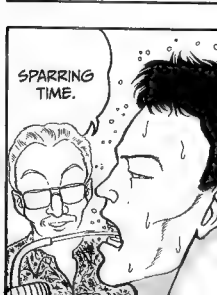
JUST LIKE EVANDER HOLYFIELD BEFORE YOU, WITHOUT EVER SACRIFICING *SPEED* OR GAINING *FAT*...

THOSE DINOSAURS YOU SEE THERE...!!!
...ON THE VERGE OF BREAKING ONTO THE WORLD RANKINGS.
ALL OF THEM ARE HEAVY-WEIGHTS...

REASSURING WORDS, DOCTOR.
YOU HAVE THE U.S. AND RUSSIA JOINING FORCES LIKE THIS. NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE.


HEY, YURI!
CLAP CLAP

AS OF TODAY, YOU'LL BE FACING THEM..


SPARRING TIME.

I'LL MAKE 'EM ALL GO EXTINCT.

*SIGN: HANAYAMA INDUSTRIES

...IT'S BEEN DECIDED THAT YURI AND THE YOUNG MASTER WILL FIGHT EACH OTHER FIRST.

...SO WITH THAT BEING SAID...

HOWEVER, THAT ISN'T TO SAY THAT YOUR MATCH WITH THE YOUNG MASTER HAS BEEN CALLED OFF...

CLIP

DOESN'T MATTER ...

UM...

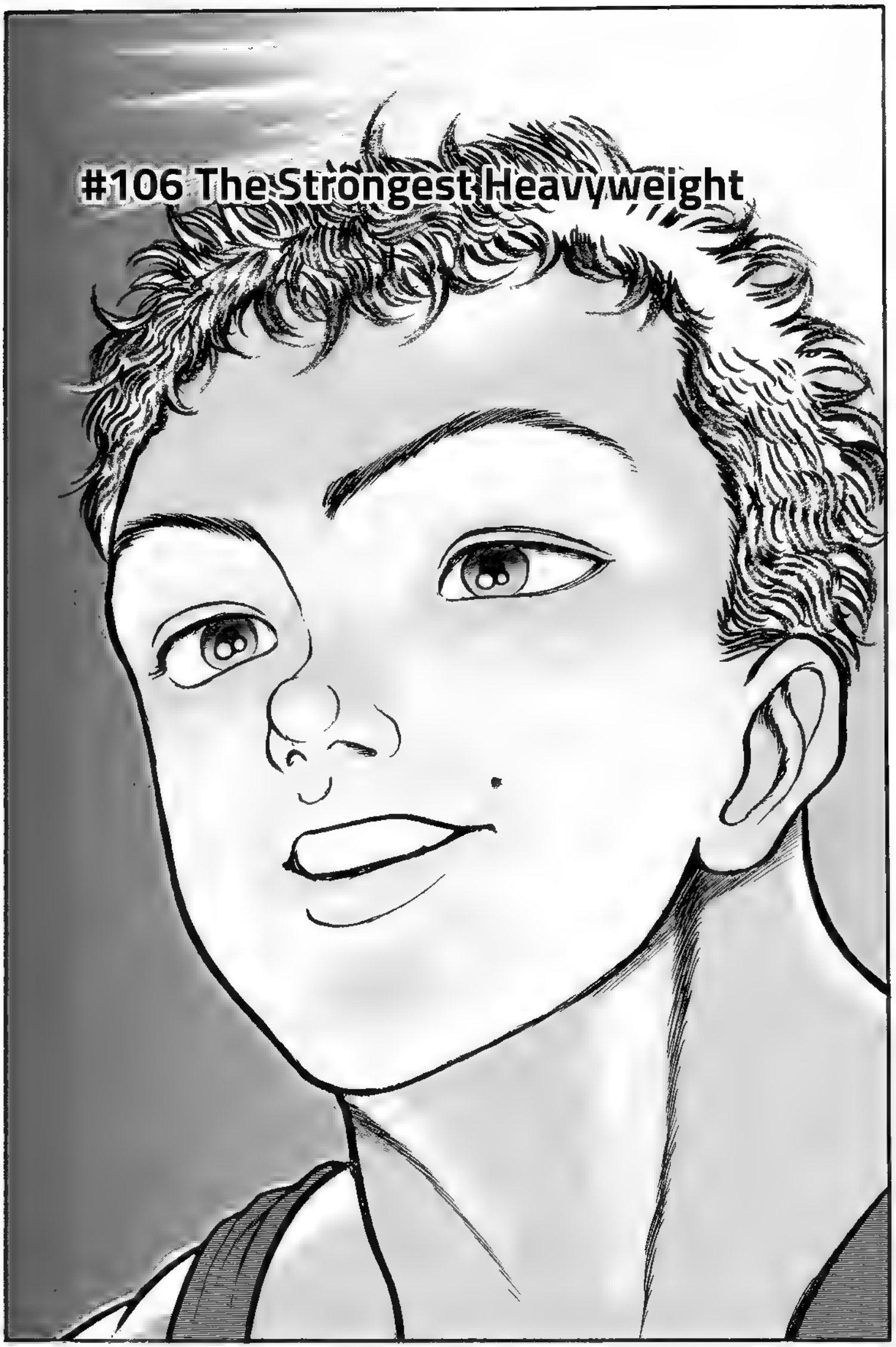
...IT "DOESN'T MATTER" ...?

IT...

NO MATTER WHO YOUR BOY TRIES TO FIGHT, WE'RE JUST GOING TO GET OUR WAY.

OUR FIGHTS BEGIN THE MOMENT WE LOCK EYES WITH SOMEONE.

...!!!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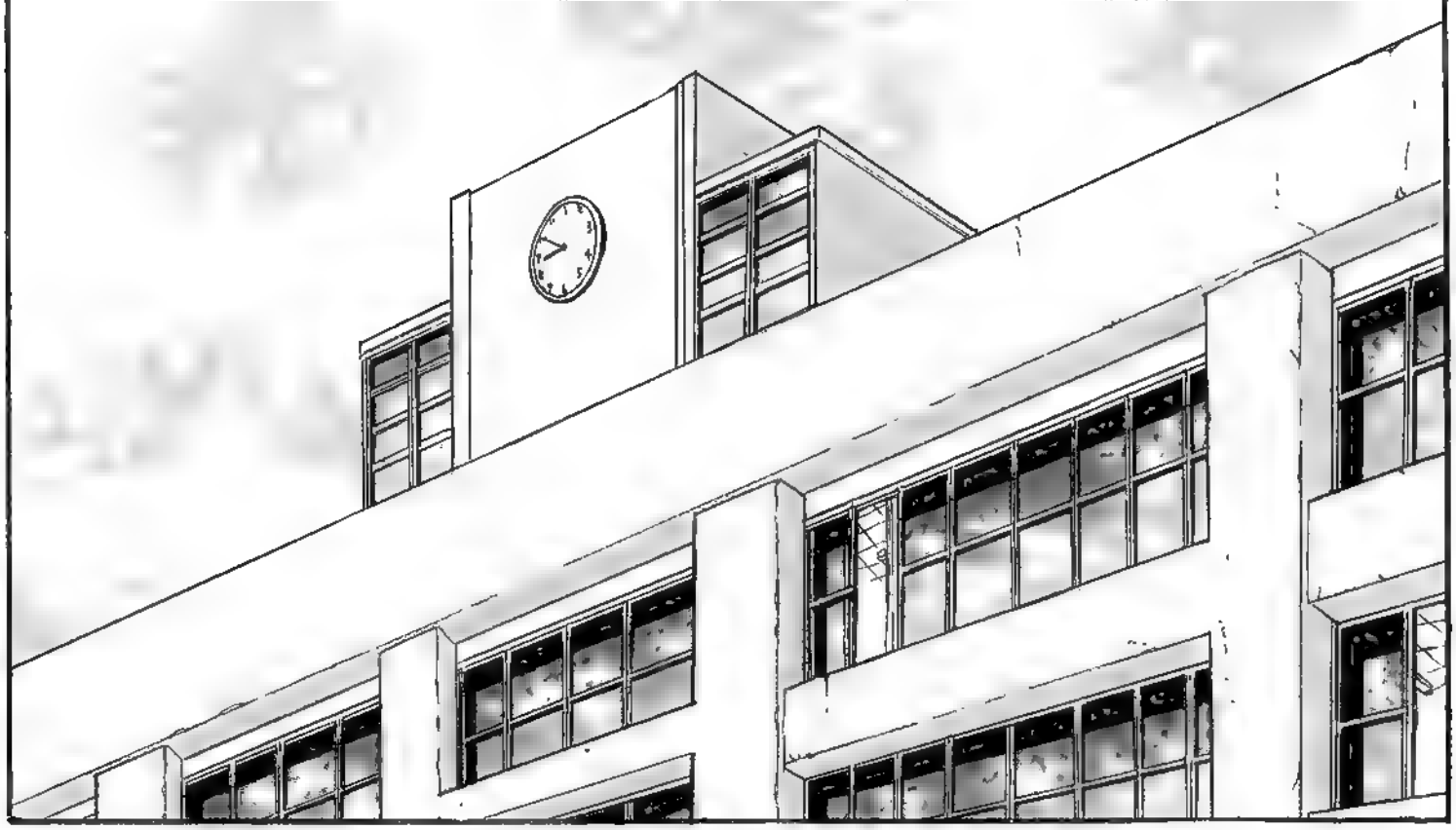

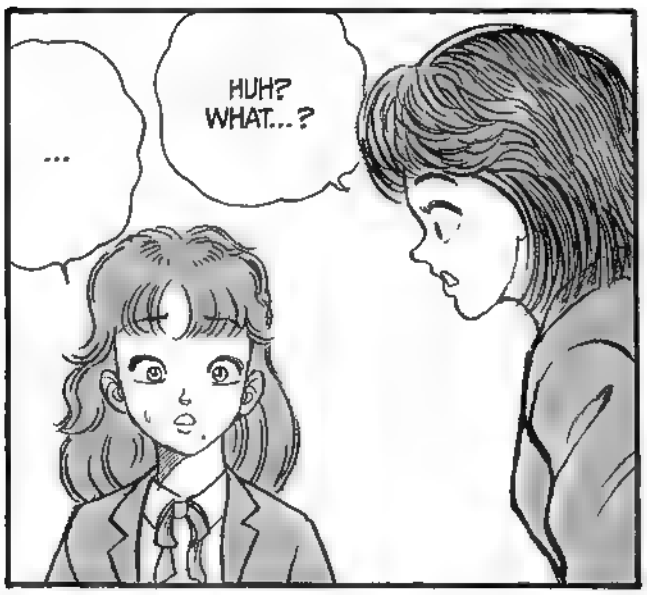
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HUH? WHAT...?

THAT'S NOT IT, I SWEAR!

HEY, HEY, HEY. LISTEN UP, LISTEN UP. ♡
GOT MORE BOYS, HUH ?

N BOARD
13th Brass Band Concert in Bunka Kaikan
LICATION
CTURE
EETING

W-WHO IS THAT?

HE TOOK OFF FROM SCHOOL...

NO WAY! *THAT* WAS HIM...?

IT'S BAKI...

YEAH... AND WHILE HE WAS AWAY...

NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM AROUND LATELY.

...HE TOTALLY CHANGED!

AND I KNOCKED HIM OUT WITH ONE OF *THESE.*

'EY, YOU REALLY HUFFIN' AT SCHOOL ...?

消火用

HEY...

HUH?

ALL STAR

ALL STAR

UH...!

WINTER CLASS MATCH

Save Labels! Support Our Schools

SCHOOL TRAVEL SAFETY

HEYA..

GRIN

WAZZAT ?

Y- YOU...

BAKIIII ?

ORA- AAAH!

HEH...

HEY, QUIT IT...!

THMP

OOOH!

DMF
KRIIINK
PLAP
BRAK

WELP... SEE YA.

UH...

I WANT TO LEARN ABOUT BAKI HANMA...

HE HAD BECOME FAR TOO POWERFUL TO SIMPLY BE CALLED A "THORN IN HIS SIDE"...

...AND NOW IT WAS GIVING HIM A CLEAR WARNING ABOUT HOW DANGEROUS IT WAS TO GET NEAR BAKI HANMA.

...AIN'T THE LIFE FOR ME NO MORE.

I THINK BEIN' A HOOLIGAN ...

KITAZAWA'S INSIGHT, HONED FROM HIS DAYS AS A DELINQUENT, WAS KNOWN FOR ITS ELITE ACCURACY IN GAUGING AN OPPONENT'S FIGHTING ABILITY...!!

WHAM

SAM!

...

...!!!

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

CLETO REYES

CLETO REYES
EVERLAST
EVERLAST
CLETO REYES
BAM
EVERLAST
BAM

IF I MAY CORRECT YOU, COACH VLADIMIR?

A JUNIOR WELTER LIKE YURI, IS...

I'M NOT DREAM-ING...

...OVER-WHELMING A HEAVY-WEIGHT...

HE'S FEELING IT...

...THE WORLD'S FASTEST...

RIGHT NOW, HE IS...

YURI CHAKOVSKY...

WHIF

...AND MOST TECHNICAL...

ZOOM
OMF
EVERLAST
REYES
...HEAVY-WEIGHT...!
YURI
TUNK...
CLETO REYES
SLEDU-YUSHCHIY!
(NEXT!)

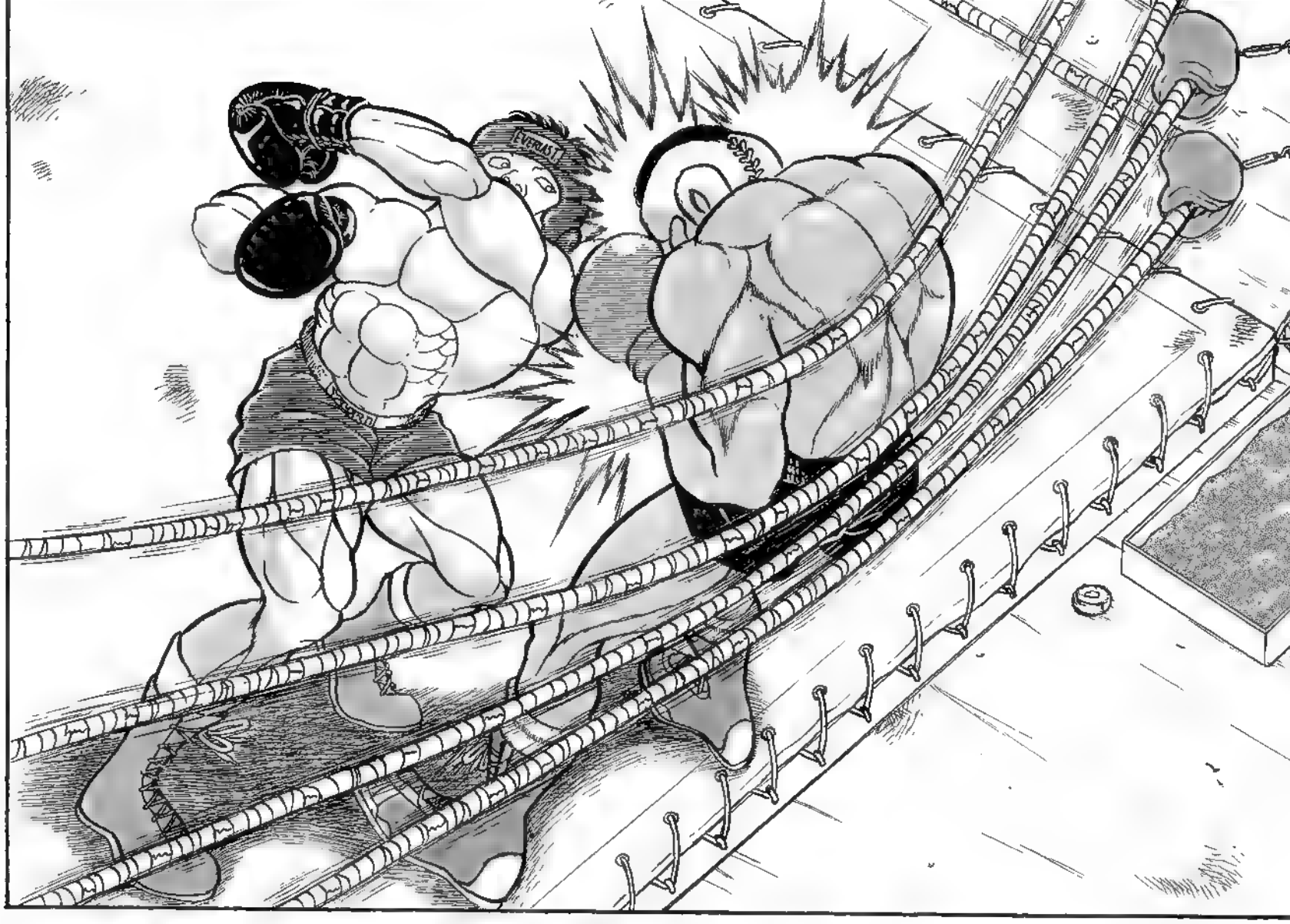
TUFWEAR

HO HO.

EVERLAST

SPORTIMER

...!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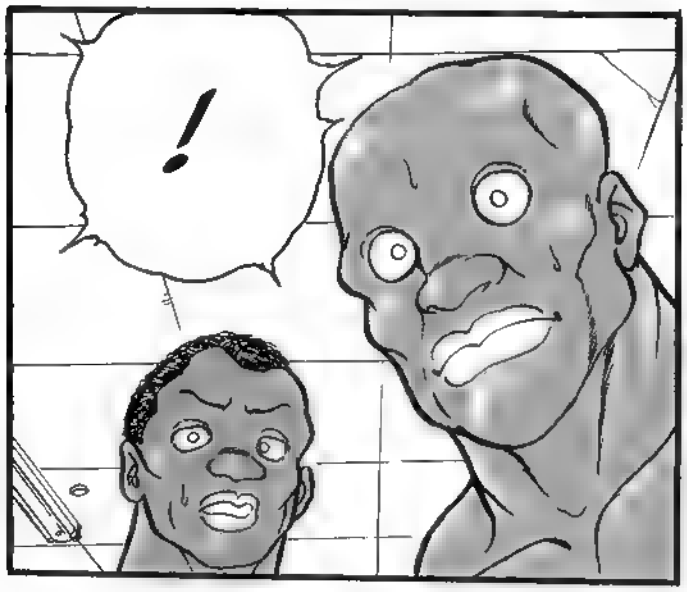
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THIS WAS ACTUALLY A DREAM... WITHIN A DREAM...

WHPSH
TUF-WEAR

BAMM

...WITHIN ANOTHER DREAM.

TUF-NEAR

...IS FINALLY WITHIN RANGE...!

SLEDU-YUSHCHIY! (NEXT!)

THAT TITLE...

EVERLAST

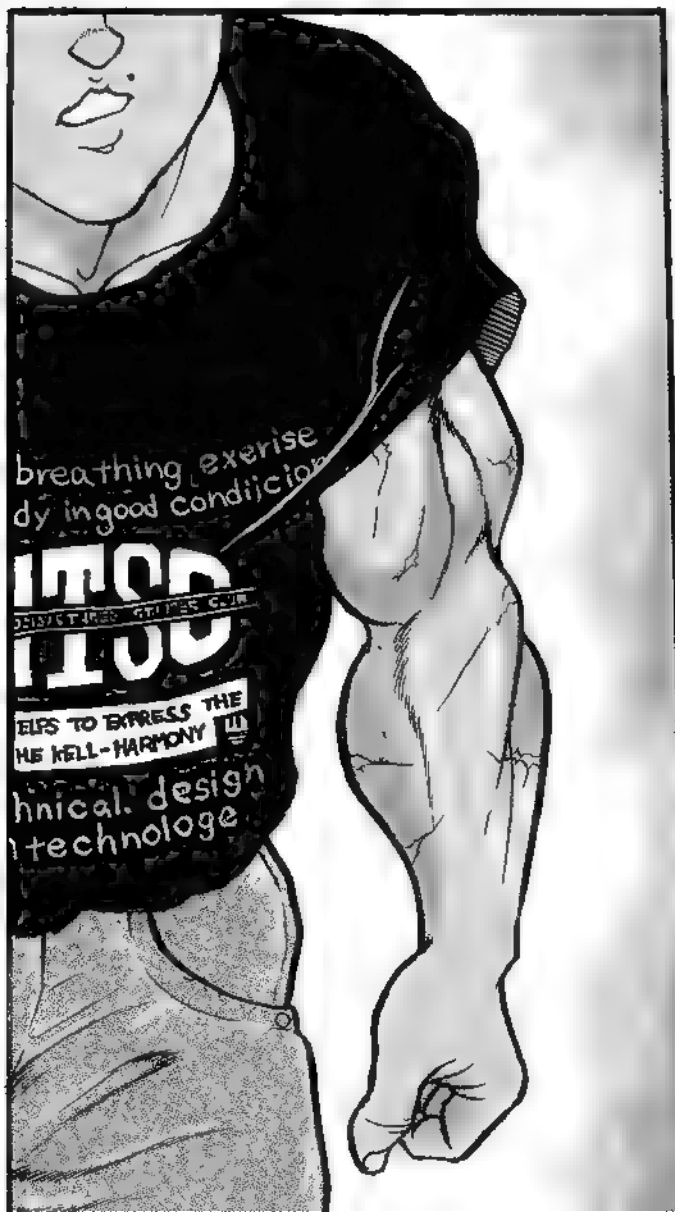
LEAVE IT TO ME.

IS MR. YURI HERE?

PARDON.

#107 A Grand Back

PARDON...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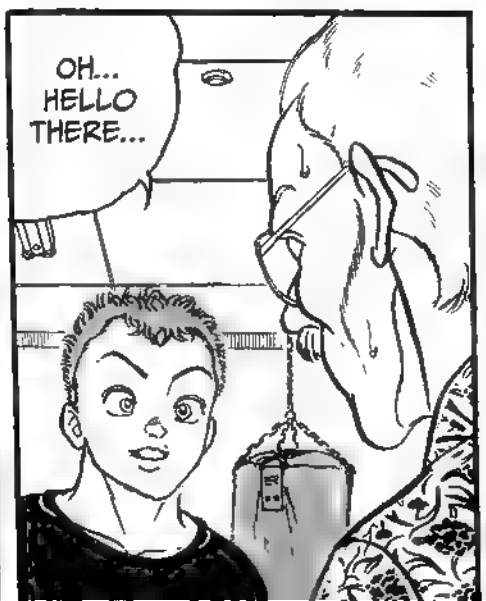

OH...
HELLO
THERE...

IS
MR. YURI
HERE...?

SHI!

EVERLAST

OH... THERE HE IS.

W-WHAT DO YOU WANT?

HEY THERE...

EVERLAST

EVERLAST

YUR.

A HUNDRED MILLION YEN.

EVERLAST

THIS IS TEN TIMES THE PRIZE MONEY YOU'D NORMALLY EARN...

THREE MONTHS AGO, YOU SPARRED WITH A YOUNG BOY.

WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO HAVE ANOTHER FREESTYLE MATCH WITH HIM.

YOU JAPANESE PEOPLE ARE SO CONCEITED THAT YOU THINK YOU CAN TWIST ANYONE TO DO YOUR BIDDING JUST BY FLASHING SOME CASH THEIR WAY.

...!

I DON'T LIKE THIS.

TO SHOW THAT THE UNRIVALED DZUGIR TRIBE, WHOSE BLOOD FLOWS WITHIN ME, IS THE STRONGEST IN HISTORY!

I HAVE ONLY ONE WISH.

IF BECOMING THE HEAVYWEIGHT PRO BOXING CHAMPION MEANS I'LL BE KNOWN AS THE STRONGEST AROUND, THEN THAT IS MY ONLY GOAL!

WE DON'T RECOGNIZE THE MERE WORLD CHAMP OF BOXING AS THE STRONGEST ON EARTH.

...BUT YOU BOXERS ARE SO OUT OF TOUCH WITH REALITY.

I HESITATE TO SAY THIS...

YOU THINK HAVING A FREE-STYLE MATCH AGAINST THAT KID IS GOING TO *HELP* ME, HUH?

SIP

IF YOU WANT TO BECOME THE *ACTUAL* STRONGEST PERSON ON EARTH, THEN WE CAN HELP YOU.

I'M LEAVING.

LOOKS LIKE YOU HAVE BUSINESS WITH ME.

AH, WELL...

DID YOU COME HERE FOR A MATCH? WITH *ME*...?!

EVERLAST

...

A MATCH?
NO WAY.

...BUT THEY GROUP SPORTS AND MARTIAL ARTS INTO THE *SAME CATEGORY.*

...SO THEY'RE TRYING TO GET YOU TO FIGHT ME, MR. YURI...

THE PEOPLE AROUND ME DON'T GET IT...

ARE YOU SAYING BOXING *ISN'T* A MARTIAL ART?!

I'M SORRY, BUT BOXING IS FAR TOO *INCOMPLETE* TO BE CALLED A MARTIAL ART.

I CAN'T LET YOU SAY THAT WITHOUT CHECKING YOU, BOY...

THE MERE WORLD CHAMP OF BOXING...

EVERLAST

a good breathing exercise

I'M NOT GONNA DO ANYTHING, JUST GIVING THE KID A SIMPLE LESSON.

HE'S JUST A KID!

STOP, JOHN-SON!

EVERLAST

KA-BAMF
BASHOOM

THAT 100-KILO WATERBAG GOT KNOCKED UP TO THE CEILING IN ONE PUNCH.

THAT BAG *FOLDED IN HALF* FOR A SECOND.

THAT'S A PUNCH YOU GUYS ALWAYS SEE IN BOXING.

DID THAT PUNCH SEEM *INCOMPLETE* TO YOU?

...!

EVERLAST

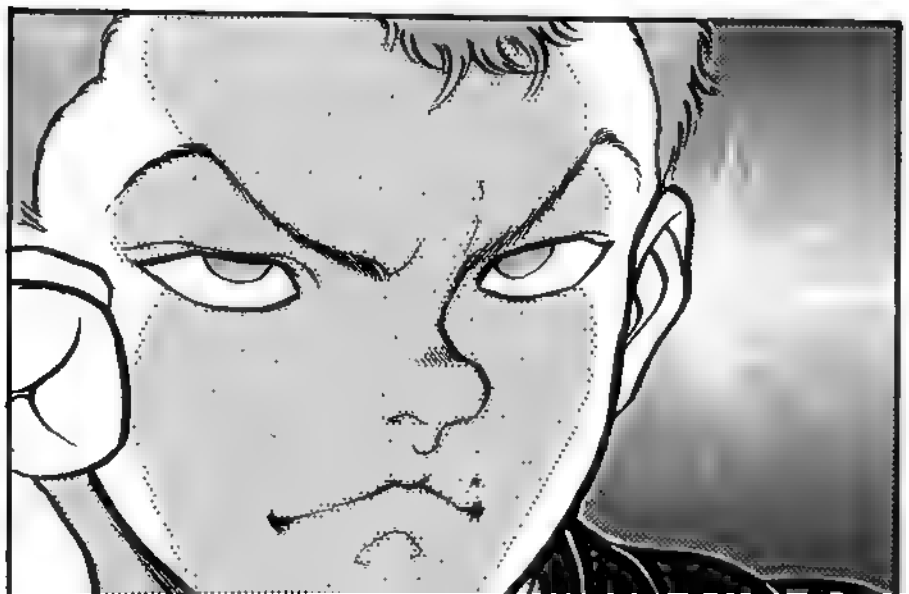
WHAT A GRAND BACK!

W...

...HIS FATHER'S...!

IT'S ALMOST LIKE...

PTSH!!



KA'PEWN
JIGGLEEE

YOU WEAR GLOVES. THERE'S NO KICKS. NO HOLDS. NO THROWS. NO JOINT LOCKS.
THAT'S WHY YOU GUYS ARE INCOMPLETE AS *GRAPPLERS.*
PWASH
SPLASH

...!

I'M GIVING HIM MY FULL SUPPORT.

BUT WHAT MR. YURI IS TRYING TO DO IS AMAZING.

...

FOR THE PAST THREE MONTHS, HAS THIS BOY BEEN TRAINING MORE INTENSELY THAN I HAVE?

VLADI-MIR...

...

PAT...

ANSWER ME, VLADIMIR!

THE DAY YOU'VE EAGERLY AWAITED HAS COME!

JAPAN! EAST ASIA!

THE UNDISPUTED WORLD JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION, YURI CHAKOVSKY...

BOTH FIGHTERS WILL BE COMING IN SHORTLY!

...IS FINALLY GEARING UP TO SCALE THE HEAVYWEIGHT WALL!

!

?!

NO!

...!

WHA ?!

URG...

#108 Yuri vs. Hanayama

KRRASH
FIRE
GLUK
Austin Nichols
WILD TURKEY

HE'S *HUGE!*

DON STANDER HAS MADE HIS WAY TO THE RING! HE'LL BE TAKING YURI CHAKOVSKY ON!

THE RINGSIDE CAMERAS HAVE CAUGHT YURI'S YOUNGER SISTER, NINA CHAKOVSKI, ON FILM!

IT'S MS. NINA!

HE IS A VERITABLE GIANT COMPARED TO THE LIGHTWEIGHTS WE'RE USED TO SEEING AT HOME!

WHOA, WHAT IS THIS?

...!

BIG BROTHER...

BIG BROTHER ...!

DON'T WORRY, NINA. ALL THIS MEANS IS THAT I'VE GOT MORE GAME TO HUNT.

YOU ARE STRONGER THAN ANY WOLF!

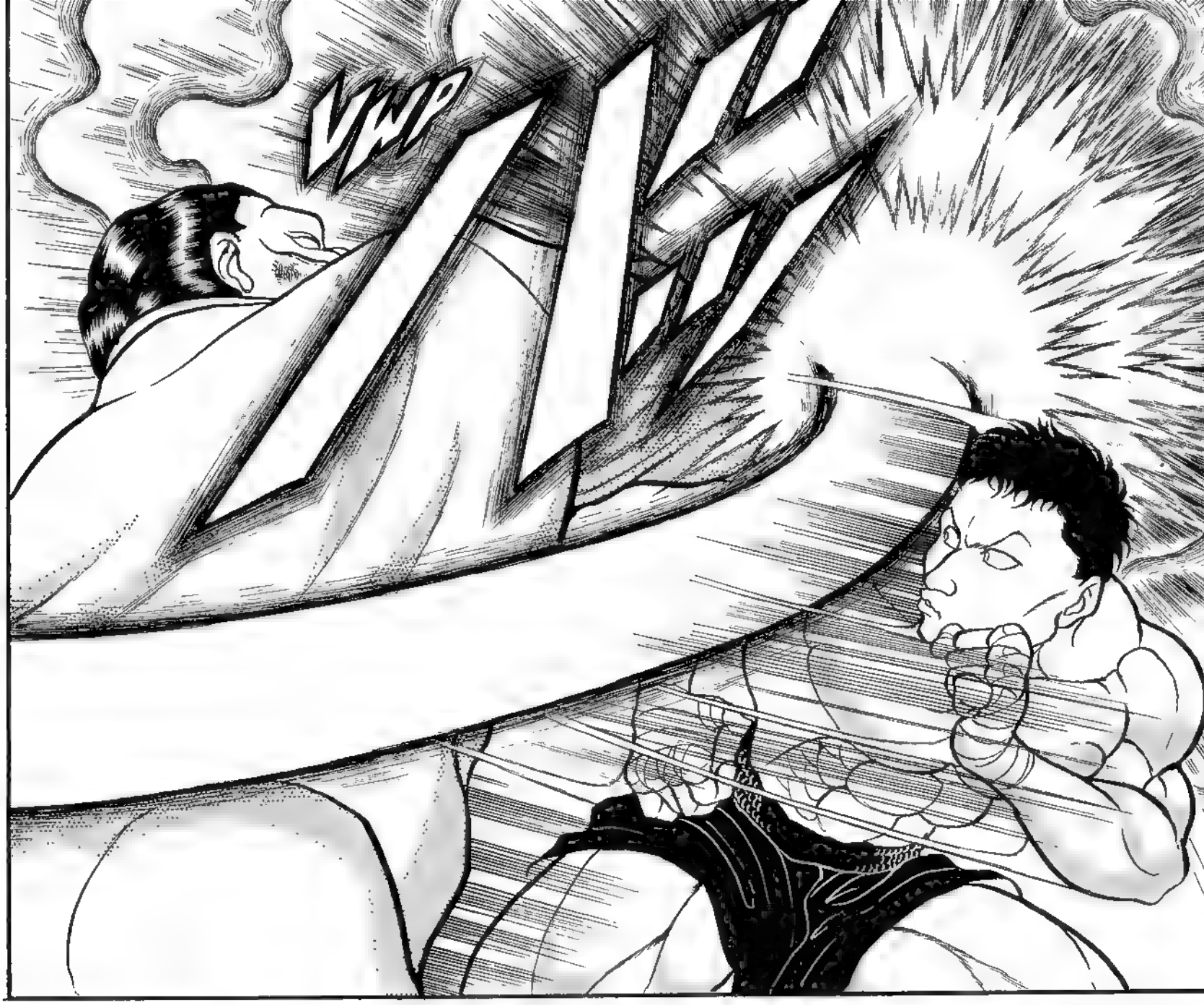
SHIMP

HE'S STRONG ...!
UNBELIEVABLE SO...!
YURIIIII! RUN AWA—
SHF

WHAM

KRAK
AHH

OOH!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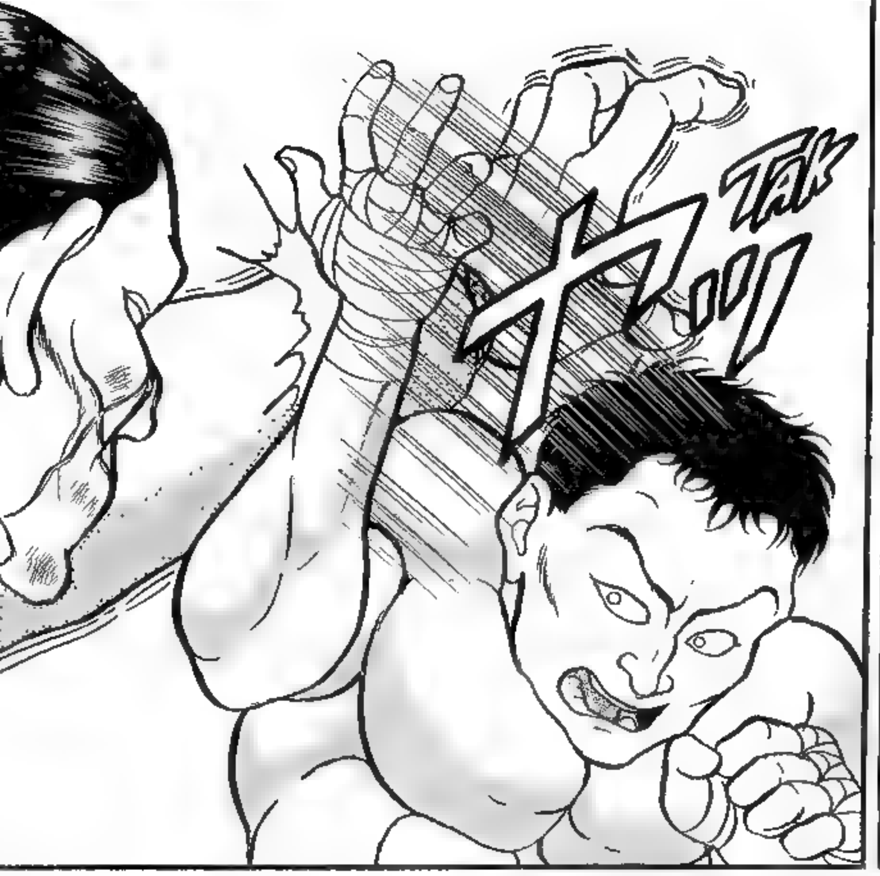
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FIRE

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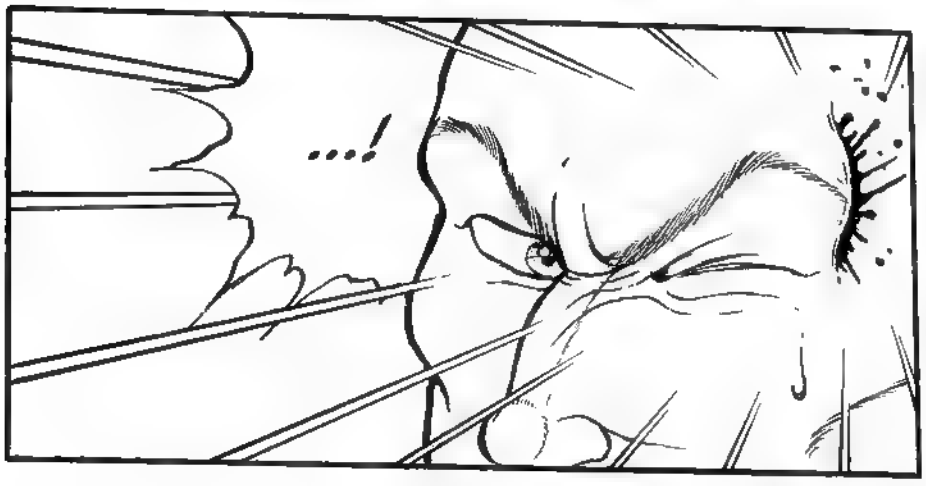
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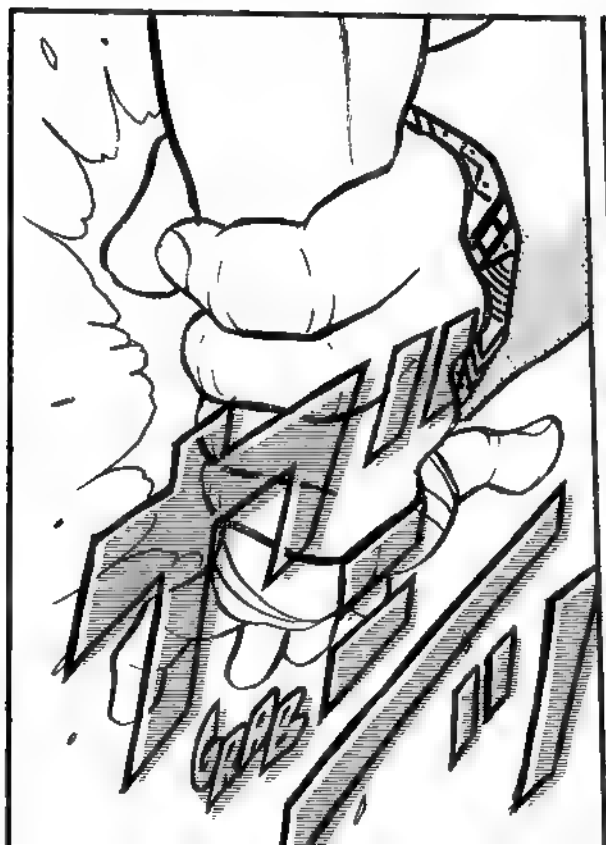
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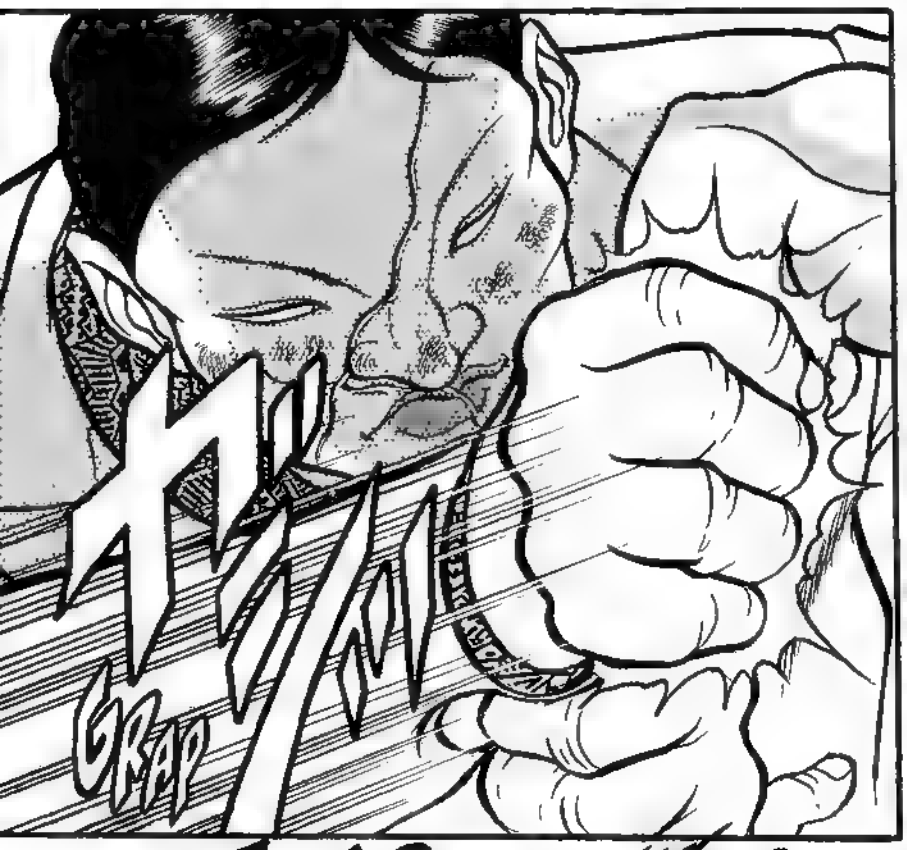
GRR
SLAM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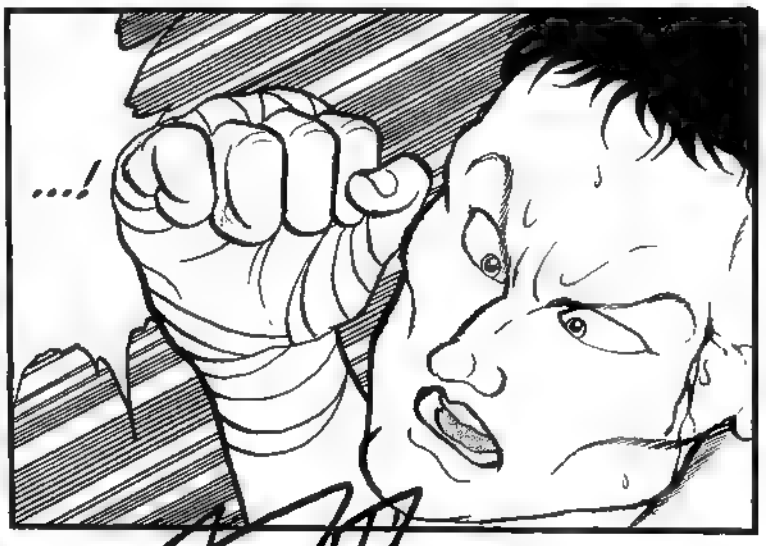
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BANG

GRIP
GRIP

I'M SURE HE'LL TAKE DOWN THAT BLACK GUY!

YOUR BIG BROTHER IS WAY STRONGER THAN YOU THINK.

WORRIED, MS. NINA?

HA HA HA.

ジッ

I KNOW THAT BIG BROTHER IS STRONGER THAN THE BLACK MAN...

I KNOW HE IS, AND YET...

SHIV SHIV

STANDER IS STILL WARMING UP, ITCHING TO GET THINGS STARTED!

YURI SEEMS TO BE TAKING HIS SWEET TIME COMING TO THE RING!

PLIP
PLIP
FWSHHHH

THE MOMENT THAT MONSTER GRABBED ONTO YURI'S LEFT ARM WITH BOTH HANDS...

...I CLEARLY HEARD AN EXPLOSION!

...?!

AN EXPLOSIVE ...?!

I'M SORRY, BUT BOXING IS FAR TOO INCOMPLETE TO BE CALLED A MARTIAL ART.

FIGHTING TILL THE END WITH THE WEAPONS YOU HAVE IS THE WAY OF THE **DZUGIR WARRIOR!**

SO, WHAT?!

FWOOM
BAAAM

#109 A Warrior's Heart!!

NOOOO...
YURIIIII!

SO, MR. KOIZUMI, IF YURI WINS THIS MATCH...

...HE WILL SHOOT INTO THE HEAVYWEIGHT RANKINGS.

YES...

I HAVE BEEN KEEPING TRACK OF YURI'S TRAINING SESSIONS...

...AND IF HE CAN EXERT THAT POWER TODAY, MAKING IT THERE WILL BE ENTIRELY POSSIBLE.

ALRIGHT! NOW THAT WE'VE ESTABLISHED YURI HAS ALL THE POTENTIAL TO MAKE THE GRADE...

...LET'S THROW TO MR. NAKAMURA IN THE BACK!

...

WELL? HAS YURI LEFT FOR THE RING?!

?

FILL US IN, MR. NAKAMURA!

TO MY KNOWLEDGE, HE *SHOULD* BE ENTERING SHORTLY...

YES! NAKAMURA HERE. YURI HAS ALREADY LEFT THE DRESSING ROOM.

WAITING ROOMS

WAITING ROOM

THIS IS ODD...

IS THERE STILL NO SIGN OF HIM?!

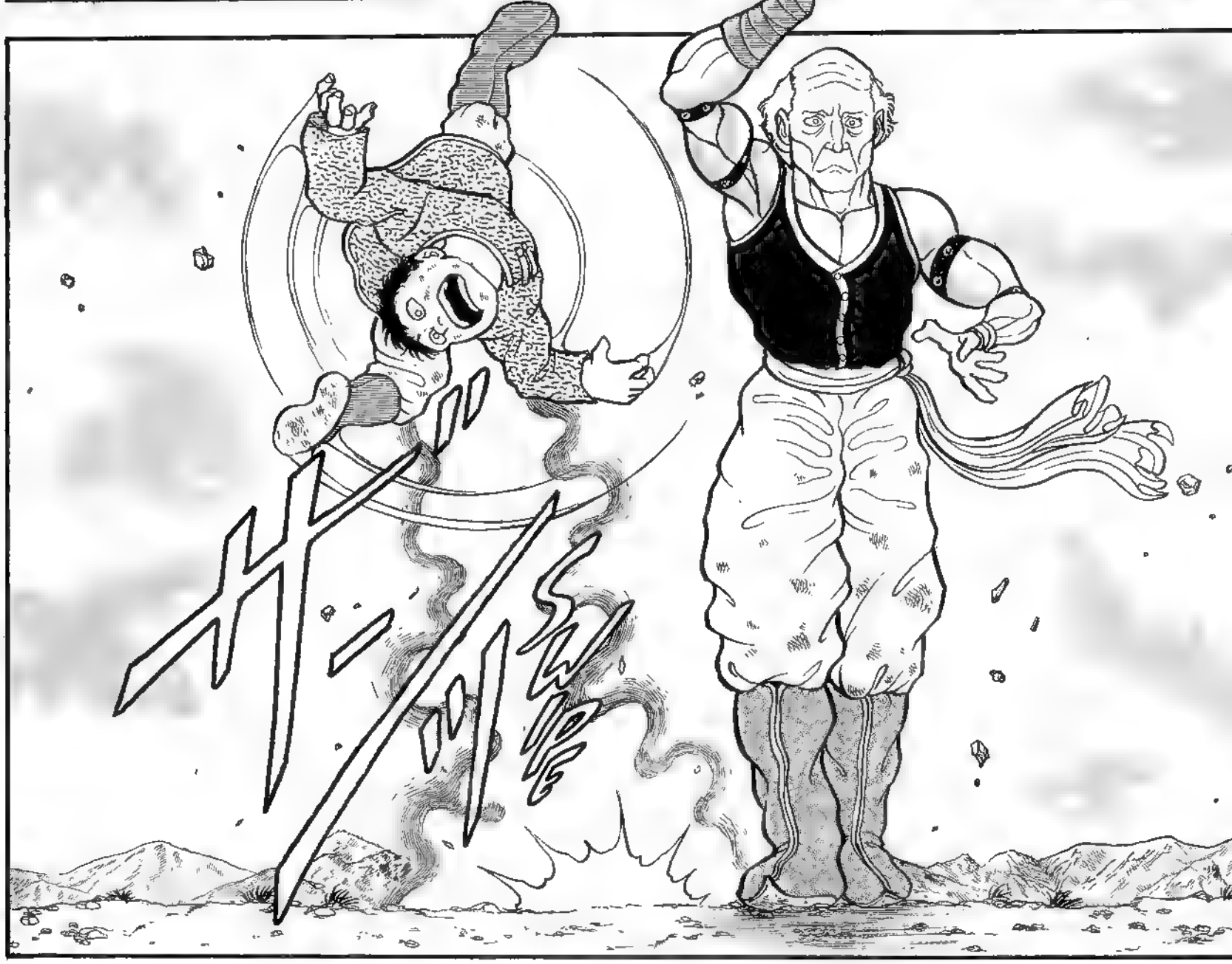
SHMP...!!
スチャ
SHMP...!!
スチャ
SHMP...!!
スチャ

STAND, YURI...

HUFF

HUFF

...!



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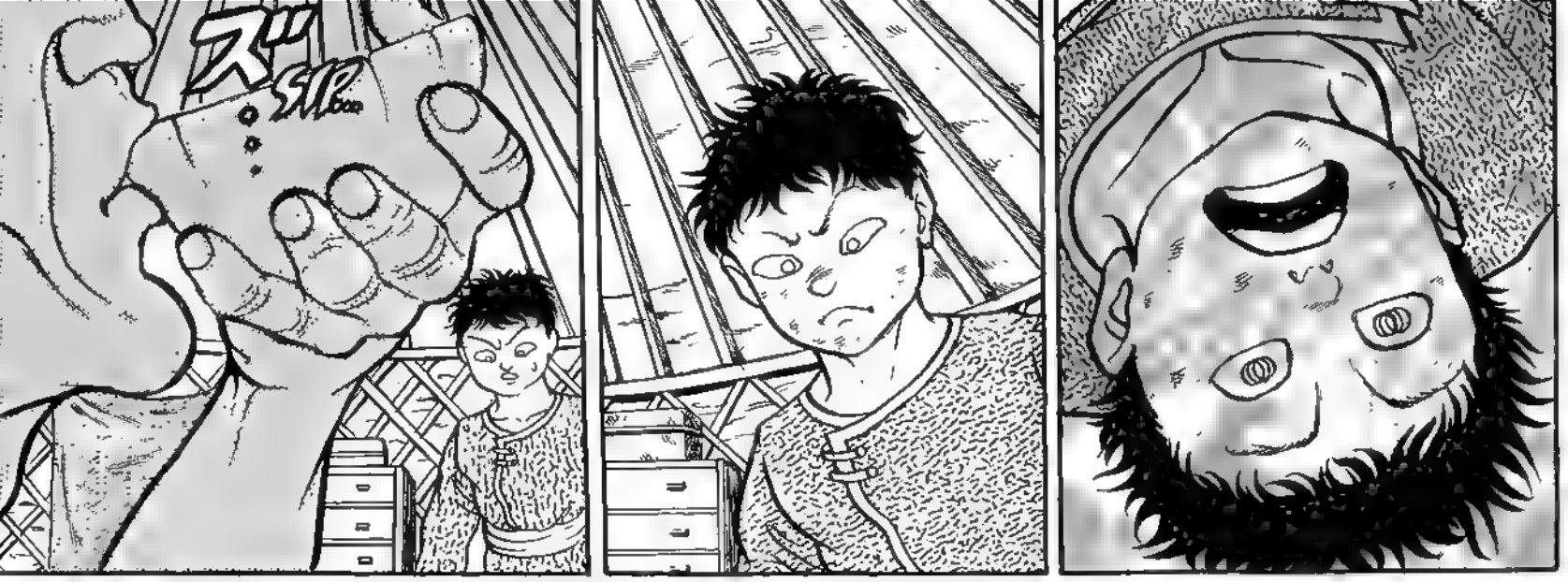
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SIP

DAMN FINE KUMIS.
DEDUSHKA...

I...

YURI...

I DON'T WANNA LOSE! I DON'T WANNA LOSE! I DON'T WANNA LOSE! NOT TO YOU, DEDUSHKA! NOT TO ANYONE!

SMILE

HOW COULD YOU SAY THAT TO YOUR GRAND-FATHER!

THEY... DON'T LOSE...?

THAT'S RIGHT. THEY **NEVER** LOSE!

DZUGIR WARRIORS NEVER LOSE.

YURI.

GETTING KNOCKED DOWN ISN'T **TRUE** DEFEAT.

YURI.

TRUE DEFEAT COMES, YURI...

GULP...

...WHEN YOU START LOSING HEART.

...HEART!

LOSING...

AS LONG AS YOUR HEART STILL BEATS...

GET IT, YURI?

HE'S GETTING UP!

PENT...

HE'S MOVING!

...EVEN THE GREAT GENGHIS KHAN COULDN'T STEAL VICTORY FROM YOU!!!

YURI! STAY DOWN!

MY HEART...

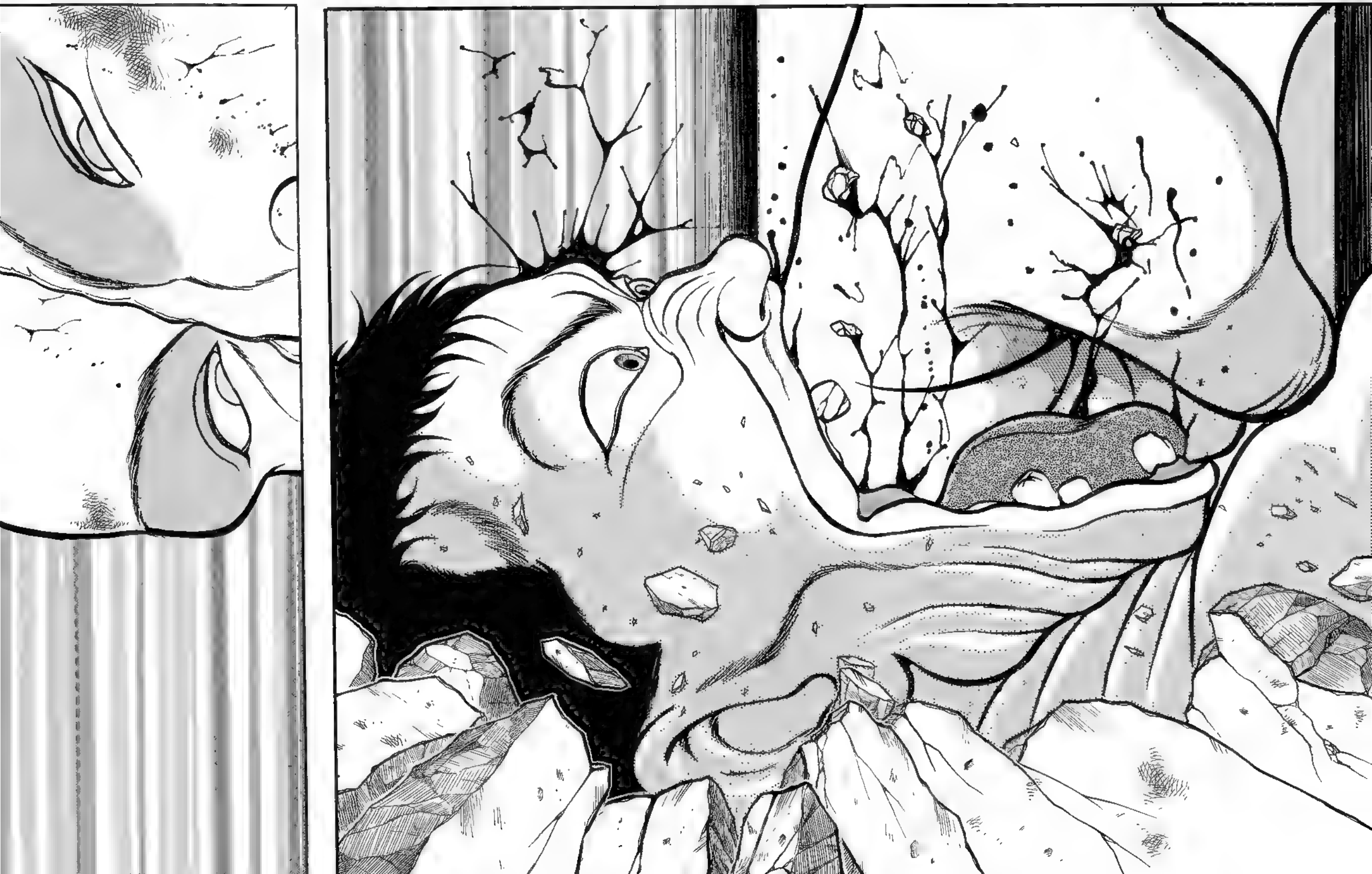
...IS RIGHT HERE!

TAK

PLEASE STOP!

HE ATE THE SECOND CHAIR'S STRIKE HEAD-ON...

H-HE'S PUTTING UP HIS DUKES...



G-
GOOD
WORK,
SIR...

YURIIIII!

BROADCAST BOOTH!

IT SEEMS SOMETHING TERRIBLE HAS HAPPENED TO YURI!

YES! THIS IS THE BROADCAST BOOTH! WHAT'S THE MATTER, MR. NAKAMURA?

IT'S HANAYAMA...

HE WAS APPARENTLY ASSAULTED BY SOMEONE!

THE STRONGEST YAKUZA IN JAPAN...

...KAORU HANAYAMA, HAS MADE HIS MOVE...!

#110 I Found You!!

MR. NAKAMURA!

MR. NAKAMURA!

I DON'T KNOW THE EXTENT OF HIS INJURIES, BUT HE WAS BLEEDING PROFUSELY!

YES! YURI HAS BEEN CARRIED AWAY ON A STRETCHER BY THE PARAMEDICS!

PLEASE GIVE US DETAILS ON YURI'S STATUS!

THAT'S ALL! BACK TO YOU, BROADCAST BOOTH!

ざわ RABBL

E-ERM... FROM WHAT I COULD SEE, HE DOESN'T APPEAR TO BE ABLE TO FIGHT!

RABBL
RABBL
ざわ
ざわ
WE'VE RECEIVED NEWS OF HIM BEING ASSAULTED BY SOME-ONE!
IT SEEMS SOMETHING HAS HAPPENED TO YURI!
WE WILL WAIT FOR ANY NEW UPDATES...
OUR FIGHTS BEGIN THE MOMENT WE LOCK EYES WITH SOME-ONE.
...BUT IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THE MATCH WILL PROCEED!
ざわ

NO MATTER WHO YOUR BOY TRIES TO FIGHT, WE'RE JUST GOING TO GET OUR WAY.

...KAORU HANAYAMA, HAS MADE HIS MOVE.

JAPAN'S STRONGEST STREET FIGHTER...

ACTUALLY, WHILE I WAS SETTING UP THE MATCH WITH YURI, I GATHERED SOME INFORMATION ABOUT KAORU HANAYAMA...

...BUT IT SEEMS THIS BOY IS A HANDFUL.

I SCOFFED AT THE STRONGEST FIGHTER IN JAPAN BEING FIFTEEN...

...THE HARDER I FOUND IT TO CONTAIN MY FEAR!

...BUT THE MORE I UNCOVERED...

YOU JUST DON'T GET IT...

"CAN HE BE BEATEN?" BY WHO? ME?

HANAYAMA AIN'T HUMAN.

YOU WANNA TRY ATTACKIN' HIM YOURSELF? I'LL GET A MACHINE GUN FOR YA.

A- ABSO- LUTELY NOT.

FUCK A PISTOL. I WOULDN'T TAKE HIM ON WITH A GODDAMN MACHINE GUN...

I COULD COME AT HIM WITH A HUNDRED OF MY BOYS AND STILL FEEL LIKE I STOOD NO CHANCE.

YES... OF COURSE, HE'S STRONG.

KREEK

KREEK

I WOULDN'T LAST A SECOND.

HA HA HA! YOU'RE OUT OF YOUR DAMN MIND!

ME, ONE ON ONE WITH HANAYAMA?

HUH?

NONE OF THAT SHIT MATTERS TO HANAYAMA.

PRO WRES-TLING? PRO BOXING? KARATE?

GOD MUST'VE CHOSEN KAORU HANAYAMA... SINCE HE IS SO STRONG...

I WONDER HOW HE FIGHTS... I'D LIKE TO SEE THAT FOR MYSELF.

THEIR TURNS OF PHRASES DIFFERED...

...BUT THE POINT OF HIM BEING A STRONG FIGHTER WAS CONSISTENT ALL AROUND.

WHEN I WITNESSED HIM, HIS STYLE UTILIZED HIS PUNCHES AND BRUTE STRENGTH...

...THERE WAS ONE VERY INTRIGUING STORY I HEARD.

THIS ARM OF MINE POPPED.

...BUT THE MOMENT HE GRABBED ME...

IT'S NOT LIKE I LET MY GUARD DOWN...

I MADE MY LIVING OFF PRO WRESTLING, BUT I HEARD THE RUMORS ABOUT HANAYAMA.

...THERE WAS A REALLY CLEAN NOISE. LIKE, BANG.

HA HA

HIS *FIXATION* ON NOT USING WEAPONS HAS TURNED INTO AN *AESTHETIC* FOR HIM.

DOES HE MEAN HE USED A WEAPON...?

NO, NOTHING LIKE THAT.

FEEL LIKE CHICKENING OUT...?

AWFULLY QUIET, MY SON.

YOUR FATHER WOULD BE TREMBLING IN JOY OVER THIS.

I'M LEAVING...

SLEEP...

MY, THIS TAKES ME BACK... WHENEVER I WOULD BUY HIM A TOY, HE WOULD ALWAYS GO INTO HIDING LIKE THAT...

HEH HEH. ♡

G'NIGHT.

10 PART 1

THE QUICKER, THE BETTER. ♡

YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO, KURI-YAGAWA.

I CAN SEE MYSELF FALLING IN LOVE...

KAORU HANAYAMA...

SLAM

HUH?
YUJIRO HANMA...
MY CHAIRPERSON DEMANDS YOU FIGHT THE YOUNG MASTER.
THAT WAS YOUR DOING, WASN'T IT, MR. HANAYAMA?

WILL I REALLY GET TO SEE HIM?

...PRIORITIZES FIGHTING ABOVE ANYTHING ELSE.

MORE THAN *SEX!*
MORE THAN *FOOD!*
MORE THAN *WATER!*
MORE THAN *OXYGEN!*

IF YOU TAKE DOWN THE YOUNG MASTER...

...THEN HIS FATHER, YUJIRO, IS BOUND TO SHOW UP.

THAT'S BECAUSE, MR. YUJIRO ...

...!
GULP
ゴク
HEY!
KA-BAM
I TOLD YOU TO STOP!
YOU FUCKIN' BRAT!
I'LL GO CHECK THINGS OUT.

SECOND CHAIR... S-SORRY TO BOTHER YOU!

SHIV

SHIV

SHIV

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SHIV

MR. HANAYAMA, RIGHT?

Y-YOUNG MASTER, WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!

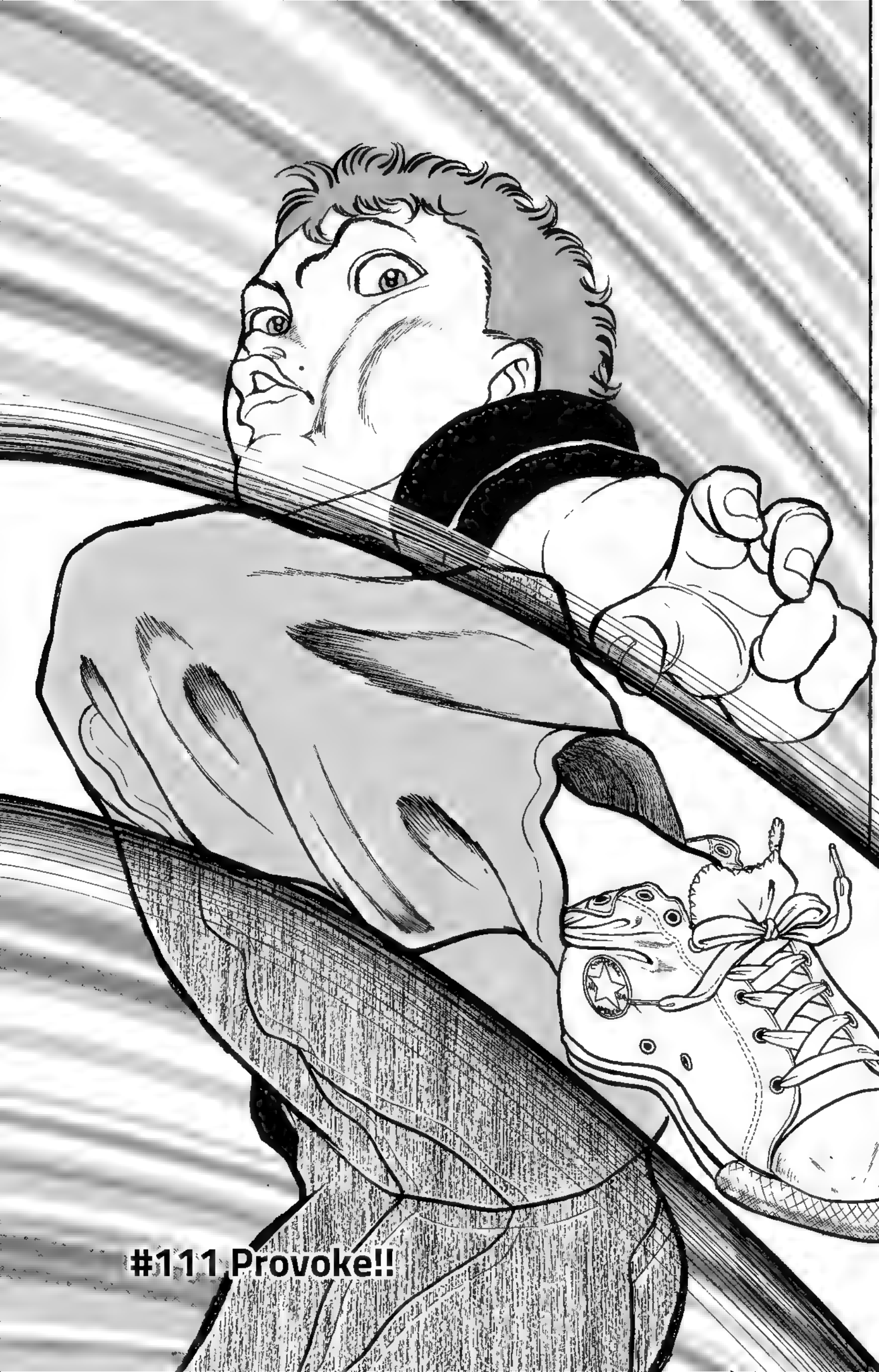
YOU'RE PRETTY FAMOUS. I ASKED SOME *SHADY-LOOKING* GUYS AND THEY ALL TOLD ME YOU'D BE HERE.

THEY SAID YOU'RE STRONG... AT STREET FIGHTS...?

WUSH

WHA?!
BAMF
AAH!
BAMF
WISH
BRAKK
H-HE JUMPED OFF THE WALLS!

KRAASH
THWAM!
C'MON!
LET'S DO THIS.
I LIKE YOU AND
YOU LIKE ME.



#111 Provoke!!

WHAM
ドガ!!

KA-KRAAASH

LEAK

EEEK!

ドキッ

WHOA! WHOA!

A DESK DROPPED OUT OF THE SKY!

IT WAS FROM THE HANAYAMA FAMILY'S OFFICE!

POOL GAME

COFF

WHAT THE HELL?!

ドカーン

...!

CALL 110! GET THE COPS!

THERE'S ABOUT TO BE GUNFIRE!

ARE YOU SERIOUS?!

RENOIRE

PUB MARI

LIN

AMI

IT'S A GANG FEUD!

SO DON'T TRY TO ACT ALL...
WISH
I LIKE YOU AND YOU LIKE ME!
C'MON! LET'S DO THIS.

SMACK

...FREAKIN' COOL!

?!

AAH!

...!

...BUT FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HANAYAMA'S LIFE, HE EXPERIENCED THE FEELING OF...

NO!!

...AND NEVER ONCE QUESTIONED HIS OWN STRENGTH...

HE WAS RAISED AS SOMEONE STRONG...

A KNOCK-DOWN!

H- HE GOT KNOCKED DOWN...

THE SECOND CHAIR, HE...!

SECOND CHAIR!

WOW... YOU REALLY ARE STRONG.

...!

WEE WOO

WEE WOO

WEE WOO

WEE WOO

WEE WOO

WEE WOO

THEY'RE COMIN' TO US!

SOMEONE SAW THE DESK SLAM TO THE GROUND AND CALLED THE COPS!

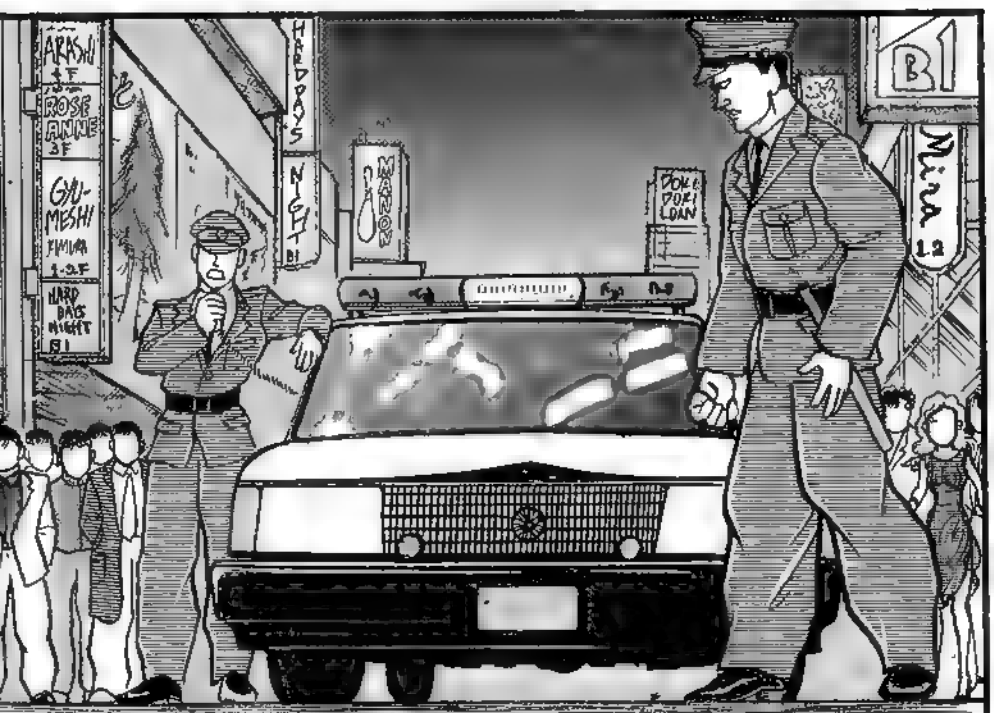
WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN HERE?!

YAMM
YAMM

AH, SORRY, GENTS. OUR YOUNG ASSOCIATE WAS CARRYING A DESK AND...

NO FUN IN GETTING KICKED WITHOUT FIRING BACK, RIGHT? IF YOU WANT A REMATCH, I'M DOWN ANY TIME.

A FEUD? PLEASE, GIVE US SOME CREDIT. THAT'S RIDICULOUS.



YOU'RE FORTUNATE THE POLICE HAPPENED TO SHOW UP WHEN THEY DID...

YOU'RE UP AGAINST THE MOB, SO YOU SHOULD BE MORE CAREFUL, YOUNG MASTER...

FOR CRYING OUT LOUD...

STILL, I APPRECIATE IT, MR. KURI-YAGAWA.

THERE'S NO POINT IN HAVING MARTIAL ARTISTS WHO YIELD TO VIOLENCE.

HE HAS A GOOD POINT...

!

HEH! YOU THINK A MARTIAL ARTIST HAS TIME TO WORRY ABOUT YAKUZA ?

TO BE HONEST, MY LEGS WERE SHAKING ...

NEVER THOUGHT SOMEONE *THAT* AMAZING EXISTED...

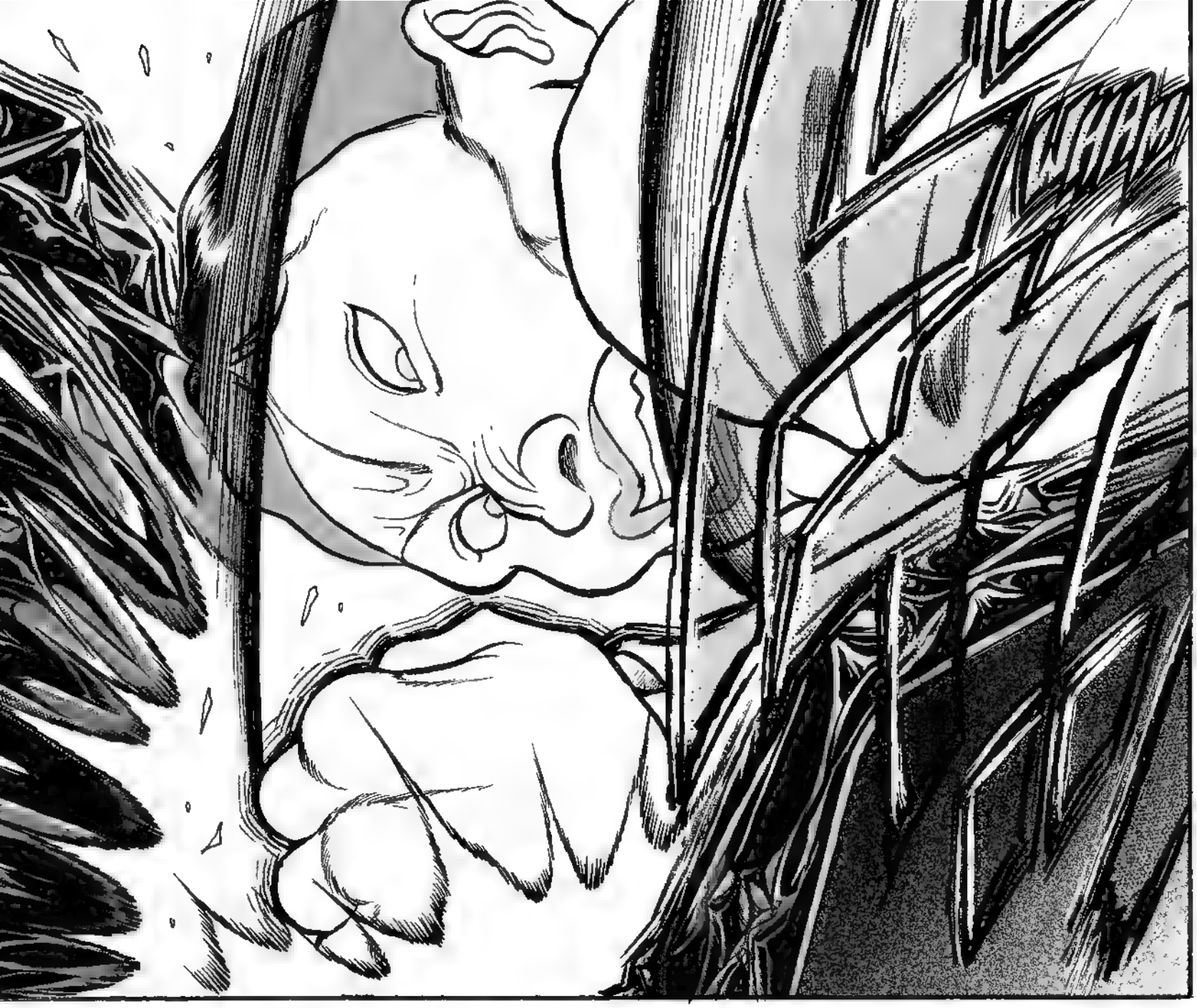
THE WORLD IS BIG...

*SIGN: HANAYAMA

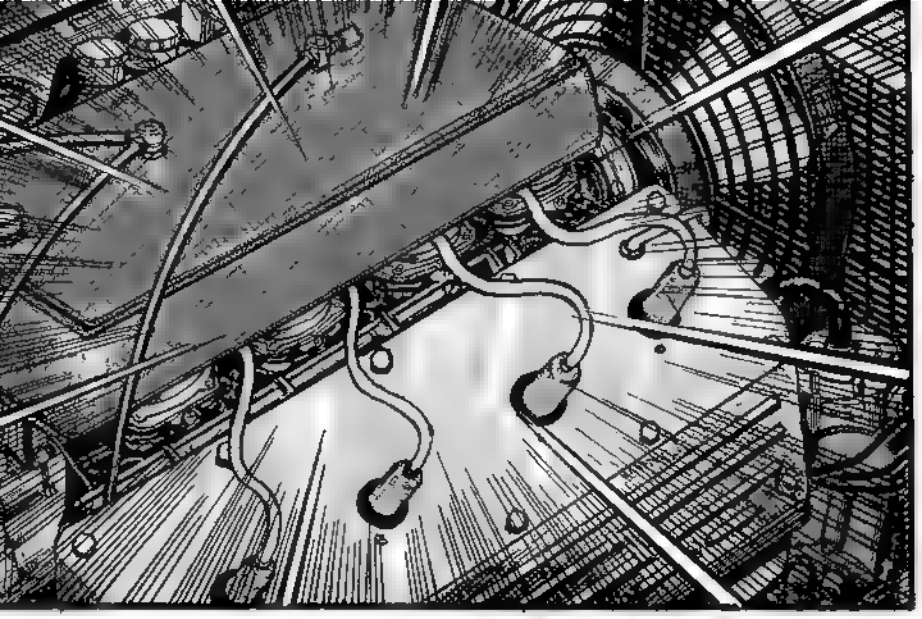
DOOMF

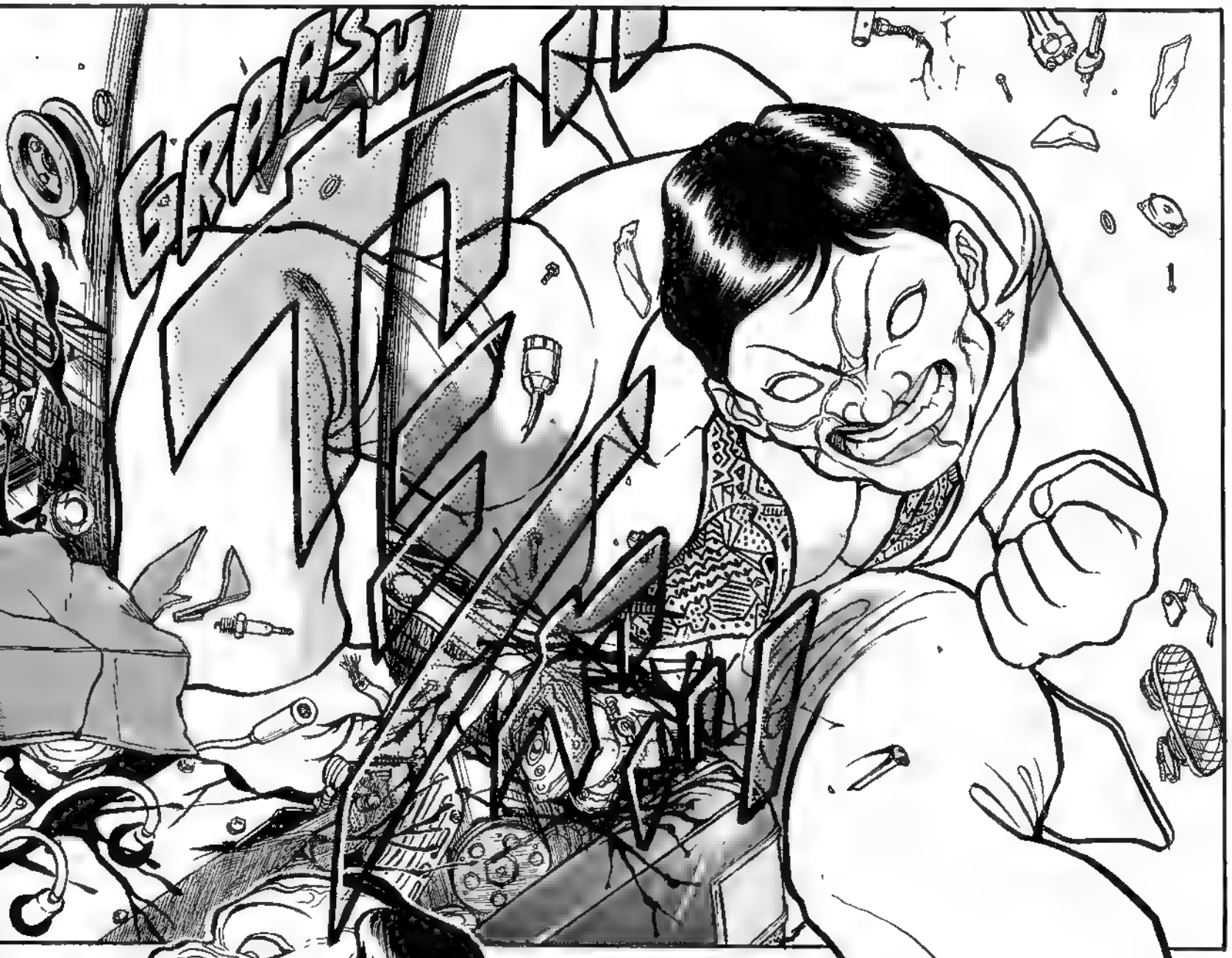
WHOA
WHOA!

YEEEK!


IS IT THE REAL THING THIS TIME?!
WHAT THE HELL?!

ミュウウウウウ……
SHHHH...
WAH
WHOA!
WHAM
KAKLUUNK
バゴアン

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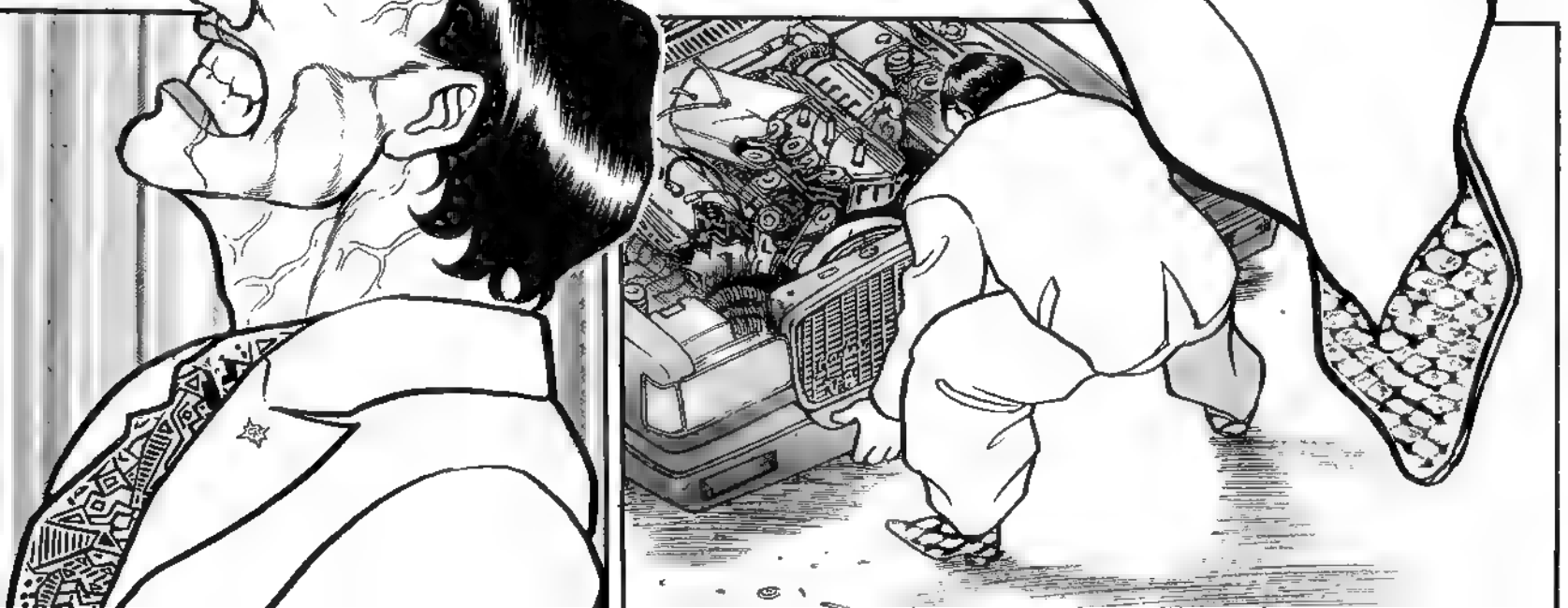

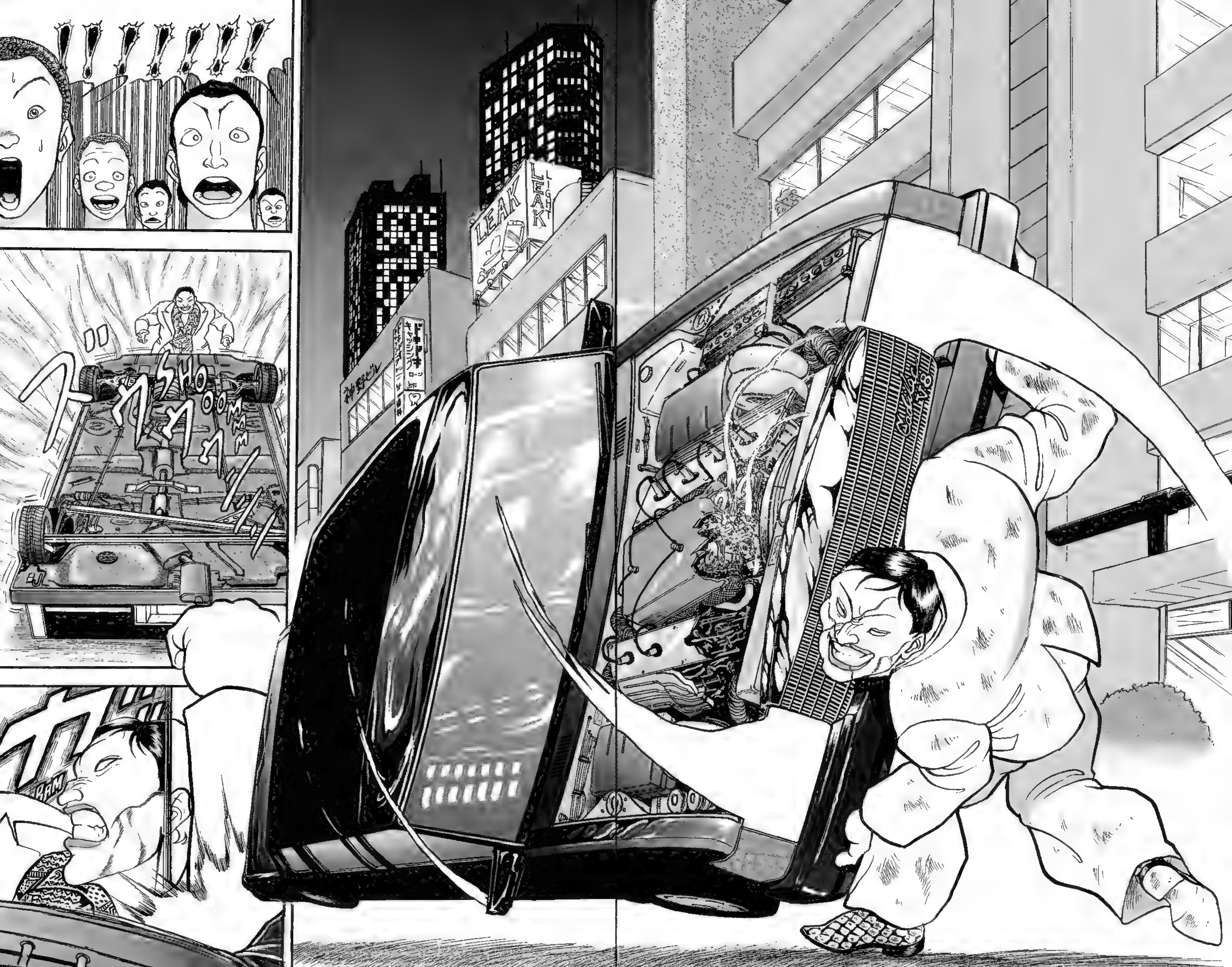
SHOOOMMMM
LEAK
LEAK
LIGHT
BAM

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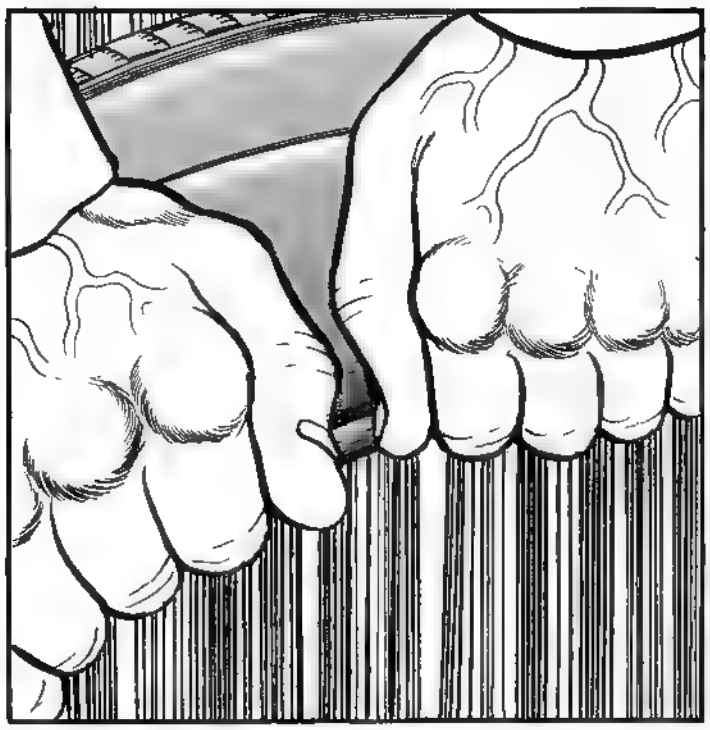
H-HE TORE A TIRE APART...

#112 The Two Pay a Visit

MMGH!



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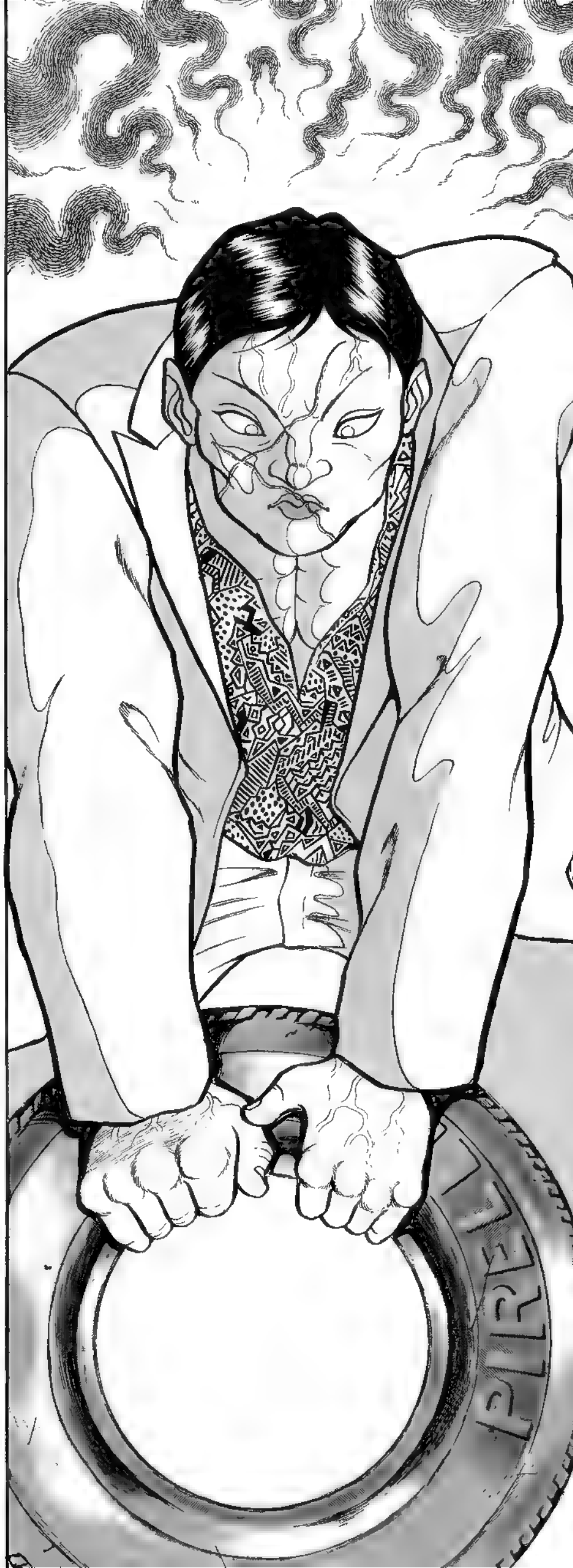

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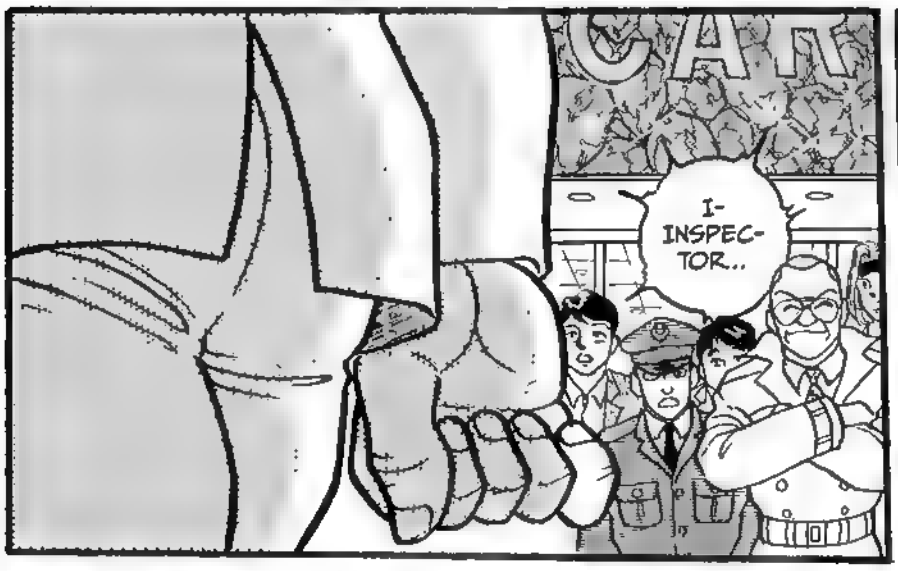
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INSPEC-
TOR..

THAT
BEING
SAID...

HE
THRASHED
HIS OWN
CAR..
WE
CAN'T
ARREST
HIM..

CARNIVA

...A MERE FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD KID TURNING A CADILLAC TO A HUNK OF JUNK IN JUST TEN SECONDS.

HIS STRENGTH IS PRACTICALLY A NATIONAL TREASURE...

ザ SHF ザ SHF ザ SHF ザ SHF ザ SHF ザ SHF

GENERAL HOSPITAL

I DON'T WANT YOU TO GET THE WRONG IDEA, YURI.

KOFF

WITHOUT ME, YOU'RE JUST ANOTHER FOREIGN BOXER... SOMEONE WHO CAN'T DO A GODDAMN THING ON HIS OWN— MY *LAPDOG*, SO TO SPEAK.

YOU'RE STILL JUST A FUCKIN' NOBODY.

...THEN I SIMPLY CAN'T TURN MY BACK ON THEM.

SO LONG AS I REMAIN A WARRIOR, IF SOMEONE CHALLENGES ME IN THE WAY I WAS...

...BUT I WAS BORN AND RAISED AS A DZUGIR WARRIOR.

YOU CAN CALL ME A LAPDOG ALL YOU WANT...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

!

AND WHO THE FUCK DO YOU THINK LOST A SHITTON OF MONEY BECAUSE OF THAT WORTHLESS *PRIDE* OF YOURS?! *WELL?!*

WHAM

SAY, NINA M'DEAR. HOW ABOUT *YOU* EARN ME SOME MONEY IN PLACE OF YOUR PEA-BRAINED BIG BROTHER? HMM?

!

YOU BASTARD!

IF YOU PUT YOURSELF OUT THERE, YOU'D BE PRETTY DAMN POPULAR, DON'CHA THINK?

FAIR SKIN, DECENT LOOKS...

HA HA HA! YOU MORON! RE-DISLOCATED YOUR HALF-HEALED JAW, EH?!

HUH...?

URP...!

URK...

BIG BROTHER!

DID YOU KNOW THAT IT'S SURPRISINGLY EASY TO RIP A PERSON'S EAR CLEAN OFF IF YOU PULL ON IT FROM BEHIND AND TUG IT FORWARD?

WELL?

SHRA...

SHOULD I GIVE IT A TEST, BOSSMAN?

BAK!!

YEEK!

I HEARD THAT NOVICE ARCHERS BACK IN THE DAY WOULD LOP THEIR OWN EARS OFF WITH THEIR STRINGS WHILE SHOOTING THEIR BOWS...

GET LOST.
...!

WELL, LOOK AT YOU. YOU'RE STILL ALIVE.

THESE THINGS HAPPEN. YOU ARE A MARTIAL ARTIST, AFTER ALL...

I'VE BASICALLY LOST MY DREAM.

THEY SAID WITH THE TENDONS IN MY ARM SEVERED... THAT I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO MAKE A FIST EVER AGAIN.

...!

THAT'S RIGHT...

DO WHAT YOU WANT... YOU ARE A MARTIAL ARTIST, AFTER ALL.

I'M GOING TO FIGHT THAT GUY...

ザァ…
LOOM…
Y-YOUNG MASTER KAORU...
YOU CAN'T, YOUNG MASTER. THE MADAM IS RESTING AT THE MOMENT...

YOUNG MASTER, PLEASE ...!
BAM
KA... O... RU...

LEAVE.

Y-YES, SIR...

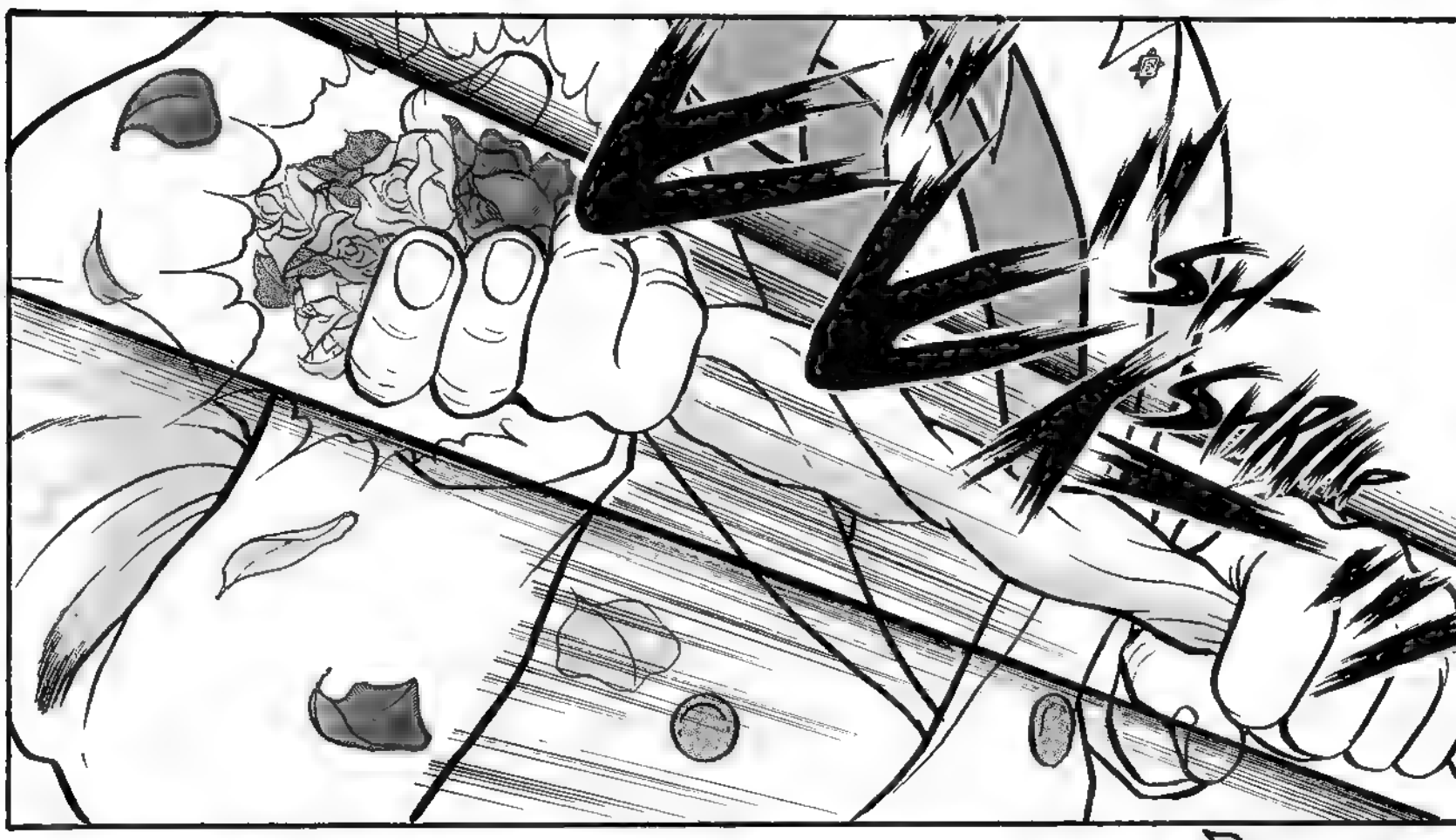
IT'S A FRENCH PERFUME. ♡

YOU SMELL SO NICE, MOM.

DO YOU LIKE ROSES, MOM?

IT'S CALLED LIEMAN. IT'S MADE FROM ROSES.

I LOVE THEM...!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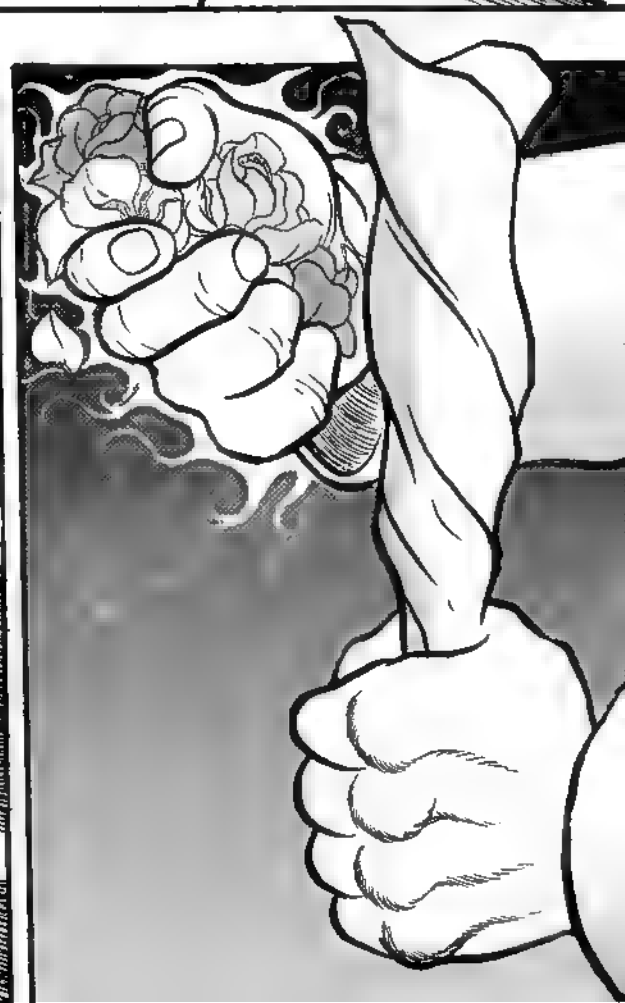


TMP

TOMORROW, I *KILL* BAKI HANMA...!

...!

#113 Here He Comes!!

HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
301
YURI CHAKOVSKY
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
GRAB
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF

THAT MOMENT...

...YURI WAS LOOKING...!

GRAB

EENE

HIS FINELY-HONED KINETIC VISION AS A BOXER...

...CAPTURED THE IMAGE OF HIS ARM BURSTING...

POP

...AND WOULDN'T STOP PLAYING IN THE BACK OF HIS MIND!

...IN PROLONGED, GRUESOME, SLOW-MOTION-LIKE DETAIL...

BLAM

HAA AHOH!

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

BAKI...

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

I'LL BE BACK.

M'KAY...

BAKI...

...

HUH...?

MR. YURI.

ABOUT THE MOVE HE USES—

DZUGIR WARRIORS AREN'T BLABBERMOUTHS, RIGHT?

...THE OTHER DAY.

I ENDED UP SEEING HIM...

YOU REALLY ARE SOMETHING ELSE...

HEH HEH...

MORE SO THAN WHEN YOU SPARRED WITH ME, IN FACT...

BUT YOU LOOK HAPPY.

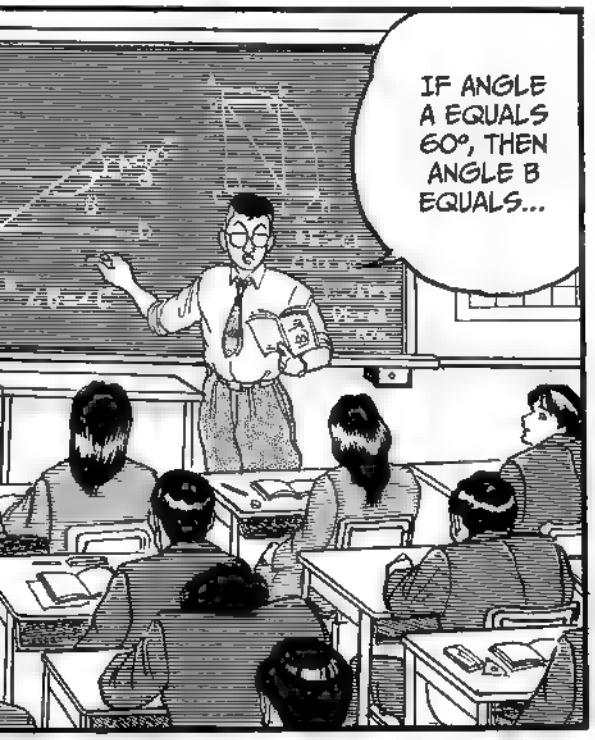
IT GOT MY LEGS QUAKING... TRUTH BE TOLD.

HE HAD A FACE THAT LOOKED LIKE HE KILLED AND ATE TWO OR THREE PEOPLE...

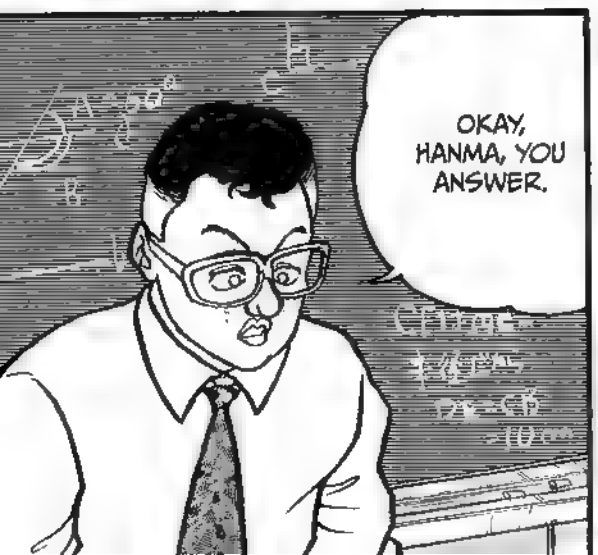
JUUUST A LITTLE... ♡

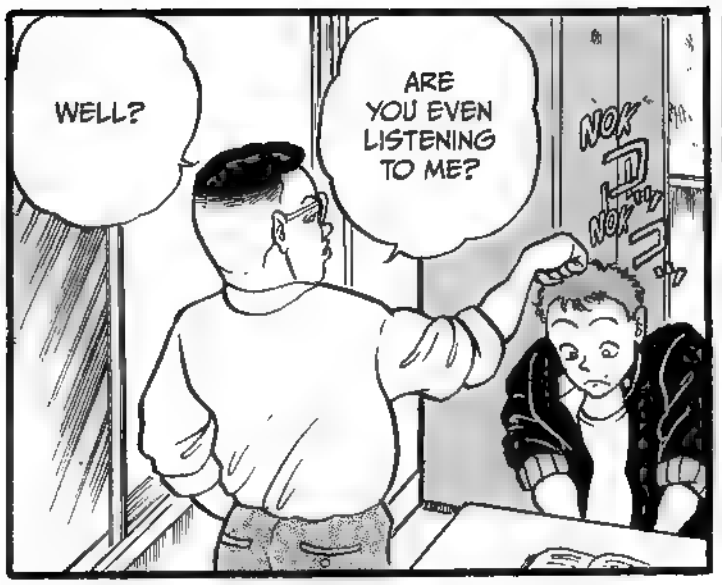
BAKI...

DON'T LET HIM GRAB YOU...!


IF ANGLE A EQUALS 60°, THEN ANGLE B EQUALS...

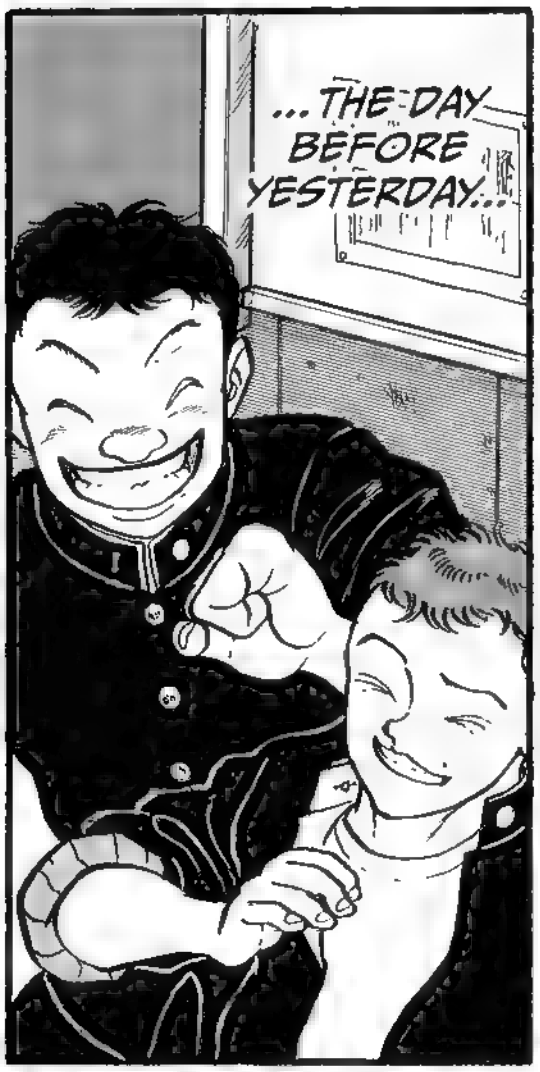
HEYA!
'SUP.


OKAY, HANMA, YOU ANSWER.

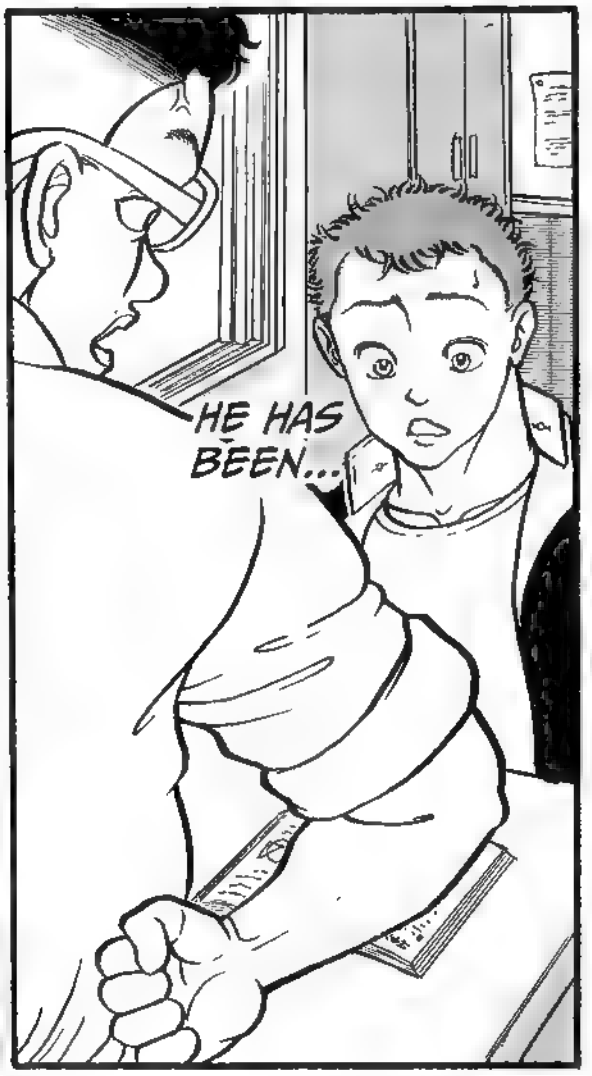

WELL?
ARE YOU EVEN LISTENING TO ME?

...IS COMING AFTER ME.

...!
HANAYAMA...


...THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY...

CLASS 1-A
...TARGETING ME...

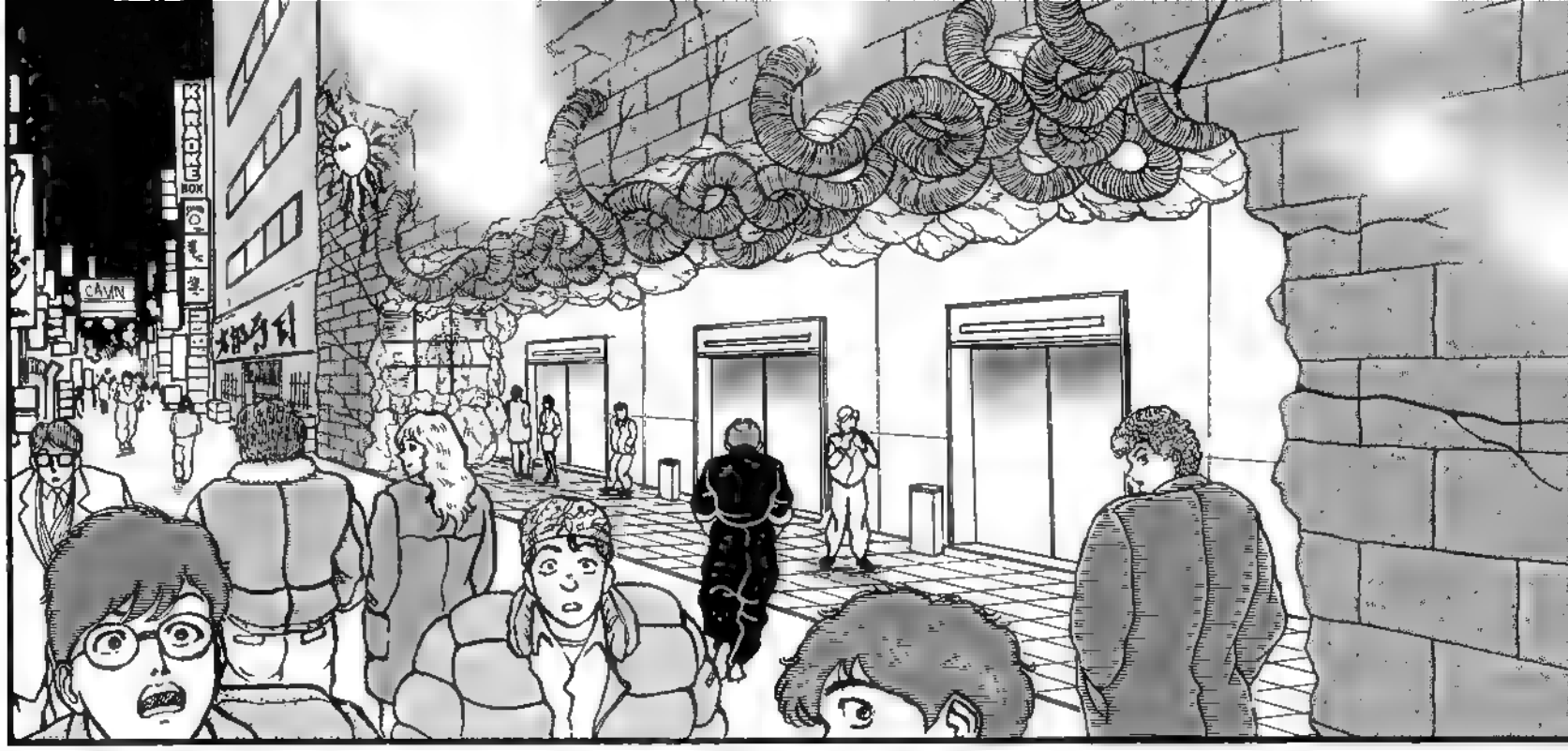

HE HAS BEEN...

...AND THIS MORNING...

...YESTERDAY...

...CLOSING IN THE DISTANCE...

HE'S GRADUALLY...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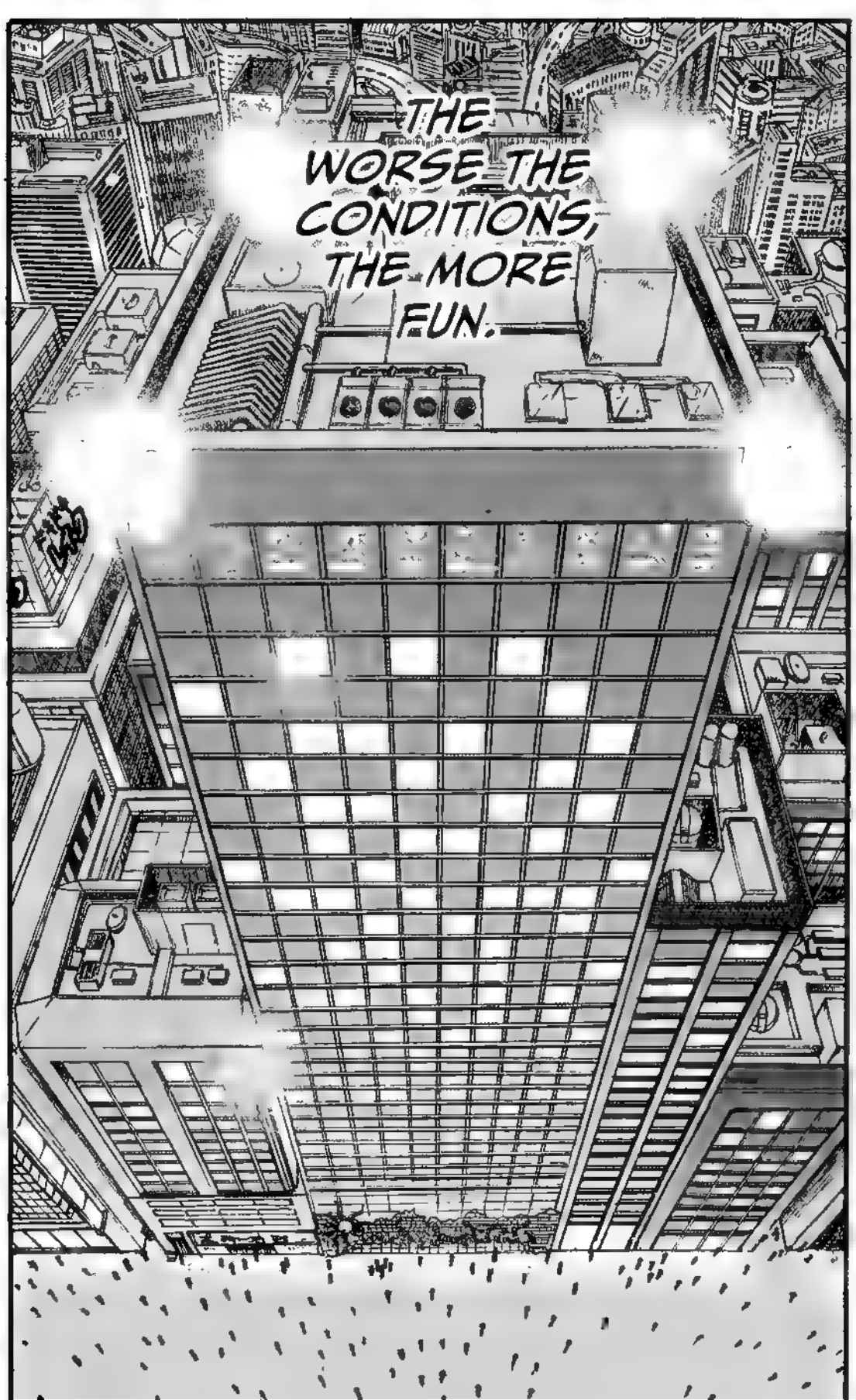
THE WORSE THE CONDITIONS, THE MORE FUN.

A "FIGHT"...

...ISN'T LIKE A "MATCH."

UFO

...WITH DANGEROUS STUFF ALL OVER THE PLACE...

...IS THE BEST.

UFO

NEW UFO CATCHER 2

DARK... CRAMPED...

...THE BIGGER, THE BETTER!

AND AS FOR A CROWD...

MR. HANAYAMA.

HOW ABOUT WE DO THIS HERE?
SHF!!!

A-A FIGHT'S BROKEN OUUUT!

KRA ASH

EEE-EEK!

TH-THIS GUY'S STRONGER THAN THE YASHA APE!

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